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Mary Washington College has long prided itself on its outstanding academic program. This issue of *MWC Today* describes the work and philosophy of several faculty members who have received the Grellet C. Simpson Award for excellence in teaching and highlights an impressive array of visiting scholars and dignitaries who have added depth and richness to the academic program this year.—Ed.

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Physical Chemistry ... Victorian Literature ... Two-Dimensional Design. Despite the divergent demands of the courses, the disciplines, and the instructors, each course requires the special interaction of teacher and student—an interaction that has won for their teachers the prestigious Grellet C. Simpson Award for ~

Excellence in Teaching

BY CARLTON R. LUTTERBIE JR.

Established in 1972 and presented each May at Commencement, the Simpson Award has been carried home by 15 faculty members to date. At a school like Mary Washington, with a faculty uniformly outstanding, this is no small honor. In 1983, the award went to Joseph C. DiBella, associate professor of art. In 1984, it was given to Bernard L. Mahoney Jr., professor of chemistry. And in 1985, Susan J. Hanna, professor of English, was so honored. These three most recent recipients of the award reveal the diversity inherent in what we call "good teaching" and also the concerns common to all teachers who take their calling seriously. (Ed. note: The selection of this year's winner, George M. Van Sant, came after publication deadline.)

All disciplines pose special problems for their instructors, and chemistry, studio art, and English are no exceptions. "Chemistry," says Bernie Mahoney, "is intellectually demanding, difficult in both theory and practice. It requires a knowledge of mathematics and physics as well as of chemistry, a combination that is simply too demanding for many students."

"The difficulty of teaching studio art," according to Joe DiBella, (see cover photo) "is that students are often too impatient to produce. They want to express their feelings and create a finished product before they fully understand the process. Art is like a foreign language—you need the vocabulary and an understanding of how the language works before you can say something."

"In teaching English—literature or writing—the problem is expanding the student's consciousness," says Sue Hanna, "enabling the student to see things from another person's perspective and to make necessary connections with one's total experience. All areas of knowledge and all sets of feelings come into play in literature and in writing, and it's hard to establish such a broad context and to communicate this richness to students."

In confronting these varied problems, however, all three teachers agree on the two most important tools: first, a thorough knowledge of the subject matter, and, second, a sensitivity to the problems students face.

Bernie Mahoney tries to put himself in the student's shoes. "I try to recall the difficulties I faced as a student and to eliminate them for my students. For instance, some students let troublesome mathematical concepts obstruct their understanding of chemical processes. So I will sometimes remove the math initially, reintroducing it when students understand the underlying chemical concepts."

"Chemistry can be intimidating," admits Mahoney, "so I try above all else to make the classroom *non*-intimidating. I tell my students there's no such thing as a stupid question. Chemistry is also hard, so I try to provide opportunities for students to improve their grades—extra credit assignments, extra experiments, and so forth—and this seems to improve student morale and interest in learning."

Dr. Mahoney with student Ai-Ling Tsou.

Hanna and DiBella share this belief that the classroom should be both intellectually demanding and non-threatening. "I try to set realistic goals for students," Hanna says, "goals that can be reached if a student will give me six thoughtful hours a week. But I have become increasingly sensitive to the fact that all 18-year-olds are not alike and that difficulties in class may relate to stages of cognitive development." Consequently, Hanna now spends more time preparing students for assignments, discussing criteria and distributing student questions, in hopes of anticipating their problems.

DiBella tries to make students realize that art is more than therapy and self-expression and to do this without bruising egos too severely. Knowing from his own education the problems of allowing students unguided freedom of expression, his courses are highly structured. He sets down criteria at the outset and assigns exercises to help students meet these criteria. In his Life Drawing classes, he has reintroduced a study of human anatomy, departing from schools of thought that encourage pure expressionism.

In addition to anticipating and eliminating problems in the classroom, Mahoney, Hanna and DiBella also try to create new problems—academic ones, that is—to generate excitement about the learning process. For Mahoney this comes in part through the use of demonstrations. Calling himself a "born experimentalist," he feels the key to excitement in understanding chemistry comes in the lab. Hence he incorporates laboratory demonstrations into as many courses as he can, showing students what certain chemical processes produce and encouraging them to ask why.

Hanna, too, who has always rated high on generating enthusiasm and excitement in the classroom, achieves this "passionate attention" to literature by question-

ing students and encouraging them to make connections between literature and the rest of their lives. "Shared learning is a wonderful thing," she says, "and the atmosphere of the classroom should be exciting. A particular work of literature doesn't always become meaningful for students until later in life when they confront the experiences they are reading about now. To have meaning tomorrow, the experience has to be memorable today."

DiBella, who admits to being nicknamed "The Invisible Whip" by students, agrees that students need to be stimulated in class. "My role is not to stroke but to stir up," he says. "I try to disorient the students a bit, to probe and coax, to prevent them from becoming too easily satisfied with their work." Like his two colleagues, DiBella does this in part by posing problems in the classroom, problems that require a developing creative ability to solve.

To generate excitement in the classroom, however, one must be professionally stimulated oneself. And this characteristic also marks these three teachers —a desire to explore new fields, experiences, and teaching techniques to avoid ruts and aridity. For Joe DiBella this has meant teaching an interdisciplinary course with a member of the English faculty on the creative process in art and literature, introducing his own works of art and his personal creative problems into the studio, and developing an interest in computer-aided art.

Sue Hanna is exploring new teaching directions on both the undergraduate and graduate levels. She has successfully taught writing to M.A.L.S. students—courses she enjoys because of the rich fund of experience graduate students bring to their writing—and in 1984 she coordinated and hosted a special lecture series on George Orwell. Next fall she will combine one of her Writing Workshop classes with a section of Philosophy 111, Morals and Society, team-teaching it with her philosopher husband, George Van Sant.

Mahoney's most recent teaching innovation has been the introduction of audiovisual and computer technology into the classroom. He uses microcomputers to teach such things as nomenclature and balancing chemical equations to students needing remedial help. And on the upper level, computer programs enable students to pursue in greater depth topics raised in class. Thanks to a faculty development grant from the College, Mahoney has also been making his own videotapes to demonstrate laboratory experiments. Using these tapes frees him from having to repeat lab instructions many times in class and permits him to spend time more profitably with students.

Dr. Hanna and student Bruce VanHorn.

Not all aspects of teaching are new and exciting, however. Teaching has its frustrations, and the greatest is lack of time. It is also frustrating, as Hanna put it, never to be able to teach as well as one would like, always knowing one could do better.

In truth, there is no training for college teaching. All one brings to it is perhaps some experience as a teaching assistant in graduate school and examples of teachers whom one admired. DiBella, for instance, discovered he liked teaching while a student at Rutgers, when he taught a class about El Greco's use of color. His first exposure to teaching large lecture classes came as a teaching assistant while earning his M.F.A. at Northern Illinois University. But he has had many teachers who became models for him, especially Bille Pritchard at Rutgers, who, he says, combined superb artistic knowledge with elegance, eloquence and warmth.

Sue Hanna's first experience with teaching nearly dissuaded her from seeking a teaching career. Trying to teach freshman composition for a year as a teaching assistant at Ohio State exposed her to the "cattle car" approach to teaching—coldly correcting student errors without the least concern for the individual student. Fortunately, her five years as a teaching fellow at the University of Michigan showed her that writing can be taught with respect for the student. Sue also carried with her the image of Tony Nemetz, a philosophy professor at Ohio State, "a dynamic teacher who challenged me to think deeply about issues that mattered."

Mahoney was drawn to teaching at the University of New Hampshire, where a teaching fellowship forced him to present difficult chemical concepts to undergraduates and revealed to him communication skills he didn't know he had. Moreover, he had the example of Truman Light, an analytical chemist at Boston College, who, like Mahoney, had an interest in the relationship between chemistry and other disciplines and worked to create an open, non-threatening atmosphere in the classroom.

Aside from experience as a teaching assistant and the memories of inspiring teachers, however, it's the dynamics of the classroom—the successes, the failures, the rewards, the frustrations—that build successful college teachers. And Mary Washington is fortunate to have teachers that respond to the classroom with passion and dedication—not only Hanna, DiBella and Mahoney, not only the 12 other Simpson Award recipients, but the vast majority of the nearly 150 members of the College faculty.

Carlton R. Lutterbie Jr., professor of English, came to MWC in 1967. Currently chairperson of the Department of English, Linguistics, and Speech, his primary teaching responsibilities include courses in Renaissance drama, contemporary literature, and journalism. In addition, Dr. Lutterbie is advisor to The Bullet (the student newspaper) and Aubade (the literary magazine).

Three distinguished civil rights speakers joined James Farmer at MWC to tell of their roles in—

The Historic Struggle For Racial Equality

BY CLAUDINE L. FERRELL

In the 1960s, many Americans shared Martin Luther King Jr.'s vision of equality achieved through non-violent means. They marched in Alabama and Washington, D.C. They led the Freedom Rides through the South. They planned programs to ease the burden of poverty for blacks and whites. They reasoned against their critics' verbal assaults. They took

Commonwealth Professor of History James Farmer

the physical blows inflicted by some of their opponents.

Early in 1986, four of those men who shared Dr. King's vision—James Farmer, Ralph Abernathy, Walter Fauntroy, and Andrew Young, all still active in their quest for an egalitarian America—brought their stories to Mary Washington College and Fredericksburg.

Listening to them speak on separate evenings in Dodd Auditorium were community residents who had once experienced the trials and tensions of the 1960s. And listening were MWC students. All were present because of James Farmer, who is currently Commonwealth Professor of History at MWC and is teaching a course called "The Historic Struggle for Racial Equality."

Mr. Farmer's decades of work in the civil rights struggle was the basis of his combination public lecture series and history course. Farmer's experiences—in the Freedom Summer, with Ku Klux Klan assassination plots, with Dr. King and Malcolm X—served as the unifying thread of the series, the most recent in a seven-year line of programs offered by MWC's Department of History and American Studies. The respect that Farmer is accorded brought to Dodd Auditorium three of the men who were compatriots in the struggle.

East Texas-born and educated, Farmer chose to study theology at "the black Athens," Howard University in Washington, D.C. His studies at Howard from 1938 to 1941 led this young black man, already a pacifist, to an important decision. His final thesis was "A Critical Analysis of the Historical Interrelationship Between Religion and Racism." This work confirmed not only his opposition to theories of God-ordained black inferiority but his earlier decision to refuse ordination rather than accept ministering to a segregated Methodist Episcopal Church. His goal, he told his father, would be to "destroy segregation" by relying on some form of "mass mobilization in the use of the Gandhi technique."

In April 1942, Farmer and several pacifist and socialist friends, who shared an interest in Gandhi, founded CORE (Congress of Racial Equality), an organization built on the idea of a non-violent, direct-action attack on discrimination. Next followed the "first organized civil rights sit-in in American history." The sit-in by 28 black and white men and women forced a Chicago coffee house to change its discriminatory policy. Yet most Americans, regardless of color, knew nothing about either the strategy of non-violent direct action or the tactic of sitting-in, until the 1960s made both staples of the evening news.

The '60s were perfect for both Farmer and CORE to make an impact on American race relations. Farmer's efforts at what he has called "the cutting edge of the movement" meant he endured the constant threat of death. Most Americans came to know Farmer during and following his participation in one of the first steps taken by the civil rights advocates in the '60s: the Freedom Rides of 1961.

While Farmer had been studying at Wiley College in Marshall, Texas, and then at Howard, a young Ralph Aber-

The Rev. Ralph D. Abernathy

nathy was studying at a Baptist boarding school in Linden, Ala. From there he went to Alabama State University and then to Morehouse School of Religion where he received an M.A. in sociology. After 18 months as an administrator at Alabama State and as pastor in Demopolis, Abernathy became pastor of Alabama's oldest black congregation, Montgomery's First Baptist Church.

Like Farmer, Abernathy could not blind himself to the racial inequities around him. The result of his clear vision was his organization of the 1956 Montgomery bus boycott, which he led with Dr. King. The boycott lasted over a year and was successful in forcing a change in

the city's blacks-to-the-rear-of-the-bus policy. But before success was his, Abernathy's home was bombed and his church dynamited, his personal possessions were sold in a public auction, and he was beaten until his attackers believed he was dead. This treatment was reason enough for the man, who today is pastor of Atlanta's West Hunter Street Baptist Church, to assert to his MWC audience, "America has never been America to me." Nevertheless, undeterred by his brutal treatment and that of other blacks in the South, the young Baptist minister joined Dr. King in 1957 in forming the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), in organizing and participating in numerous marches, and in enduring many stays in jail for their non-violent protests against discrimination.

When Dr. King was killed in 1968, Abernathy, his "civil rights twin," succeeded him as president of the SCLC and oversaw the successful Poor People's Campaign. Abernathy as "mayor" of Resurrection City, a city of the poor on the Mall in Washington, D.C., helped push Congress

Congressman Walter Fauntroy

toward aiding the hungry, the ill, and the elderly.

Sharing this concern for the economics of discrimination, Walter Fauntroy told his audience that "the basic problem in America today" is not black inferiority or welfare cheats but rather "the flight of American capital abroad, taking millions of jobs." It is a view, he noted with irony, that he shared with Alabama Governor George Wallace, a man against whom so many civil rights battles had been fought.

Fauntroy, a native of Washington, D.C., is a graduate of Virginia Union University and Yale University Divinity School. Like so many other black leaders throughout American history, he began his career as a pastor. And like so many, including two of his fellow MWC lecturers, he continued that career while working in other, yet related, directions. While he continues to serve as pastor of his first church, New Bethel Baptist in Washington, his other causes have led him to fight a variety of battles. In the 1960s, Fauntroy was director of the Washington bureau of the SCLC and was national director of the Poor People's Campaign.

After serving on the D.C. city council, Fauntroy in 1971 became the District's first elected representative in Congress. He has served in that position ever since and is now fifth in seniority on the House Committee on Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs. A member of the Congressional Black Caucus and president of the National Black Leadership Roundtable, he is also chairman of the board of the SCLC. And in 1984 his multiple interests led him to work on issues and strategy for Jesse Jackson's "Rainbow Coalition" presidential primary campaign.

Most recently Fauntroy has focused on South Africa, creating the "Free South Africa Movement." His protests against apartheid led to his arrest in November 1984 outside the South African Embassy, and recently he took a fact-finding trip to South Africa to study the apartheid system firsthand. As he informed his MWC listeners—tying together the strings of his interest in and philosophy of discrimination—"Apartheid is, at heart, a labor control system that feeds on cheap labor and foreign investment."

Fauntroy's interest in a variety of racial, economic, and political subjects is shared by Andrew Young of Atlanta. Young, like the D.C. congressman, participated in the 1960s civil rights movement before beginning a political career. As Young has explained, "I have fought and will continue to fight for the inclusion of all in the economic mainstream of Atlanta as I have for the inclusion of all across the nation."

When elected to represent Georgia's Fifth Congressional District in 1972, Young became that state's and the Deep South's first black representative in over a century, a victory attributable to a coalition of black and white support since his district was 60 percent white. The coalition re-elected him twice, allowing Young to serve on the Banking and Currency Committee and on the powerful Rules Committee. It also gave him the opportunity to work on a variety of issues, including mass transit, foreign affairs, and civil rights. These issues, in effect, link Young's early and later careers.

A graduate of Howard University and the Hartford Theological Seminary, the young Georgian took part in most of the major civil rights protests in the 1960s. He worked with Martin Luther King Jr. in Birmingham and Selma. He worked on the Poor People's Campaign and protested against the Vietnam War. He was active in voter registration, labor organization, economic development, and leadership training.

Young's career, which also saw him serve as a pastor in Georgia and Alabama and for the National Council of Churches, took him to the United Nations in 1977. He was appointed ambassador by President Jimmy Carter, the former governor of Georgia. In 1982, he became mayor of one of the nation's largest and fastest growing urban centers: Atlanta—a city of over 2,000,000 people, two-thirds of whom are black. Young oversees one of the country's most successful cities in dealing with desegregation and integration. As he once noted, "The thing that separates Atlanta from most cities is that people here admit that racism is a problem and, as a result, are willing to talk about it." In working on integration, the city recognized that suc-

Mayor Andrew Young

cess depended on "learning to accept and learning not to be threatened by cultural differences."

Four men. Farmer, Abernathy, Fauntroy, Young. They tired, as did black poet Langston Hughes, "of hearing people say/ Let things take their course./ Tomorrow is another day." And they brought to MWC and Fredericksburg their fight to make tomorrow now.

Claudine L. Ferrell, assistant professor of history, taught for several years in her native Texas and for one year at Kansas State University before coming to MWC in 1984. She teaches 20th Century U.S. History, Black History, and Legal/Constitutional History.

March came in like a lamb, but this visitor came to campus like a lion: internationally known biologist and ecologist

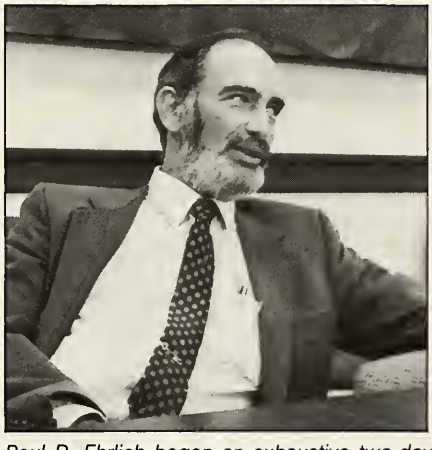
PAUL R. EHRLICH
Distinguished Visitor In Residence

BY MICHAEL L. BASS

As the dreariness of February faded away, all on the MWC campus looked forward to the beginning of March. Would it come in like a lion or like a lamb? Another question on the minds of many concerned the impending visit of the Alumni Association's 1985-86 Distinguished Visitor in Residence, Dr. Paul R. Ehrlich, Bing Professor of Population Studies and professor of biological sciences at Stanford University. In January, while in New Guinea dedicating a new biological research station, Dr. Ehrlich had been infected by the most potent and dangerous of the malarial parasites. Would he be able to meet MWC's heavy schedule planned for the D.V.I.R.? By the end of his one-hour press conference on the morning of March 3, the answers to both of the above questions were evident—March was in like a lamb, and Paul Ehrlich was here like a lion.

A prolific scholar in ecology and evolutionary biology, Dr. Ehrlich has published over 100 scientific articles and several textbooks. He has also written over a dozen books on a variety of subjects—from butterflies to the effects of nuclear war. He was thrust into the public eye with the publication of *The Population Bomb,* which received the Best Seller's Paperback of the Year Award in 1970. He is most widely acclaimed for his work on the approaching environmental dilemma.

During the press conference he gave in-depth explanations about this population –resource–environmental dilemma. When asked by one reporter what he thought was the most pressing and important ecological problem or threat to our nation's environment, he answered, "Ronald Reagan." In explanation, he went on to say, "Even if he doesn't get us into a nuclear war, he has already managed to dismantle and weaken the programs set up to maintain environmental quality. I'm a Republican, but mind you, this has to be one of the worst administrations. Reagan has a talent for gross ineptitude while still looking good." Ehrlich said that Reagan has essentially dissolved the Council on Environmental Quality. Further, the Environmental Protection Agency is still underfunded, he maintained, even though it is listed by the Office of Management and Budget as one of the most efficient governmental agencies.



Paul R. Ehrlich began an exhaustive two-day visit at MWC with a press conference.

Dr. Ehrlich met with ecology, physics, math, genetics, and sociology classes and with students in the graduate MALS 512, Ideas and Movements of the Western World. During the classes, he answered questions from students and impressed his listeners with his interdisciplinary thinking and his logical and simple explanations of some very complex ecological, political and socioeconomic problems. Ehrlich emphasized that he tries to understand the very complex problems we face and seeks solutions to them by depending on the research and work of others on his team, especially his wife, Anne. "She is the one who does a lot of the library research and assembles all of this data." In addition, he believes it is important to interact with those whose expertise is outside of one's own field in order to appreciate the complexity of the interdependence of our world.

In answer to the many questions on the world's population problem, Ehrlich pointed out that "The critical issue is not the number of people in relation to space, but instead, it is people in relation to resources. In order for the human population to be below the carrying capacity in future generations, the population should not be degrading the ability of the planet to support people in the future."

During his meeting with the MALS 512 graduate class, Ehrlich said that a biologist is most concerned about the loss of diversity in the biosphere as a result of various pollutions, and that is a major environmental problem. Ehrlich emphasized that the loss of this biotic diversity will also have enormous direct economic consequences, such as denying humanity access to many potential foods, medicines, industrial products and energy sources. Many view loss of diversity as a great ethical and aesthetic catastrophe as well as a biological and economic one.

"In much of our agriculture, our general activity has been to increase the loss of diversity in our crops. Of the 30 or so varieties of wheat, we cultivate only a few. We see the consequence of this about every four to five years and repeat the cycle. In 1970 a fungus disseminated our corn crop. The U.S. had to import corn from South America to get a variety that had a genetic immunity to the fungus." The loss of species results in a loss of functional units in the biosphere that have as part of their function the provision of ecosystem services.

After two hours of questions and discussion, one of the graduate students present expressed his thanks to Dr. Ehrlich for the way he pointed out the value and necessity of thinking in an interdisciplinary manner about the problems we face and their solutions. Perhaps this was one of the major contributions that Paul Ehrlich made to MWC while he was here. He continually emphasized the value of thinking across disciplinary boundaries and communicating with people in various specialities.

Ehrlich's public address, "The Ecological Effects of Nuclear War," was well-attended by those from the MWC campus, the Fredericksburg community, and visitors from other campuses. Ehrlich enumerated and explained various effects of a nuclear confrontation and discussed some of the possible circumstances that might

lead to a nuclear exchange.

"Such a war could kill or fatally injure nearly half of the human population in a matter of minutes. It could create ecological conditions that in a few months might eliminate most of those who survived the immediate effects." Many of the "nuclear winter" ideas are not those of Ehrlich alone, and he always gives credit to others whose information he interprets and uses. He referred extensively to the 1983 work of a team of five scientists—Richard Turco, Brian Toon, Thomas Ackerman, James Pollack, and Carl Sagan—who completed a computer study of the atmospheric effects of dust and soot from nuclear explosions. From a wide range of war scenarios, they predicted that the sun's rays would be blocked from the earth's surface and the continental temperatures during midsummer in the Northern Hemisphere could drop to many degrees below zero and remain there for many weeks or even months. Their study became known as TTAPS, an acronym developed by using the authors' initials.

Ehrlich also emphasized that according to TTAPS, "not only would human survivors freeze in the cold and the dark, but they would also be choking in a hemisphere-wide toxic smog produced by the burning cities, forests, oil wells, coal deposits, and chemical storage tanks. After the atmosphere begins to clear, the menace of dangerously high UV-B rays streaming through the Earth's damaged ozone shield would be hazardous to the survivors." The TTAPS report was extensively reviewed by some of the world's best atmospheric physicists and climatologists. After this review, a summary report was submitted to *Science*, one of the best American scientific journals, which had the article reviewed again before publishing it.

To emphasize that a nuclear war between the superpowers would lead to a global ecological disaster, Ehrlich referred to the results of the computer model work of Stephen Schneider at the National Center for Atmospheric Research. "Even though absolute certainty of the global atmospheric effects may not be available, the resulting impacts on the Southern Hemisphere would be disastrous for the billion or so people living south of the equator. The psychological impact of the loss of most or all of the rest of humanity would, of course, be devastating. The economic destruction due to the cessation of trade would be even worse. Many people in the cities, who are now dependent upon food imports from the North, would have to return to the already crowded countryside. In many places the clearing of the tropical moist forests for farms would be accelerated. The gain in productivity would be small, but the cost in extinction of species would be very large."

Ehrlich said that he and other scientists began to voice their concerns about the possible ecological effects of nuclear war when political leaders and military strategists began to openly express the idea that an all-out nuclear war might be "winnable." "It is imperative that the potential consequences of such a disaster be assessed very carefully and that people in all nations be thoroughly informed about these consequences." How did we get into our present state? In Ehrlich's opinion, the dramatic changes began in the early 1970s because of the development of the multiple warhead missiles by the United States. Until this development, the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. were developing nuclear weapon delivery systems at a "reasonable" rate, but this MIRV (Multiple Independent Re-entry Vehicle) system quickly started an escalation that led to what Ehrlich referred to as "crisis instability." "Knowledgeable people recognized the potential impetus to 'shoot first' in an effort to win a nuclear confrontation," Ehrlich said. The potential for nuclear war is perhaps greater now than at any other time, but we are not doing much to relieve the tension, he added.

Ehrlich believes that by our actions we are continually supporting the Soviet's theory that we are preparing to deliver the "first strike." "The deployment of the extremely accurate Pershing 2 missiles and cruise missiles into Europe would permit the decapitation of the Soviet ICBMs that would be sent in retaliation to our first strike. We are not putting our land missiles on the movable deployment scheme. Instead, we are putting them in the silos, whose location the Soviets know well. These two factors, along with the development of the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI), popularly known as 'Star Wars,' all increase the Soviet paranoia about our 'first strike' mentality." Ehrlich remarked that there are indications given at conferences between Soviet and American scientists that the Soviets are moving to a "launch on warning" status, in which defense radar systems are tied directly to computers and the computers to launch buttons without the human fail-safe being there. "In other words, we will be betting the future of civilization on the Soviet military computers—which for anyone familiar with Soviet computer technology—that's enough to scare you right out of your pants."

Ehrlich stated, "In order to get out of this scenario, we must negotiate a workable bilateral disarmament. We must build trust between the U.S. and the Soviets by directly monitoring the disarmament process with on-site inspections, which might be a real possibility now. . . . I am not a pessimist about the world and our being able to solve its problems. Everyone must now recognize that humanity is either going to learn to live without the bomb or continue to risk extinction of *Homo sapiens*. I am much more optimistic about our being able to solve the nuclear war problem than I am about our being able to solve the intricate and intermingled problems of population and pollution." Ehrlich indicated that we all have to get involved with the process of change. "We are going to need ethical and spiritual changes to accomplish what we need to do. We have to be active in the social, political and ethical arenas in order to solve the various problems facing humanity today."

Ehrlich, here with biology professor Thomas L. Johnson, attended a luncheon in his honor.

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For Grace Paley, the act of speaking out loud derives from the act of listening well. "In my creative writing classes, I have my students read their work aloud. It's the politics of listening."

SPEAKING OUT LOUD: Grace Paley's Fiction

BY RICHARD MCCANN

Grace Paley, author of three highly acclaimed collections of short fiction, *The Little Disturbances of Man* (1959), *Enormous Changes at the Last Minute* (1974), and *Later the Same Day* (1985), visited Mary Washington College this winter, under the sponsorship of the Poetry/Fiction Series, in order to read her short fiction, to talk with students in American Literature, Major American Women Writers, Writing Workshop, and Literary Criticism, and to work with advanced creative writing students. "Each one of (Paley's) stories," writes Angela Carter in *The London Review of Books*, "has more abundant inner life than most other people's novels . . . Her prose presents a series of miracles of poetic compression." In addition to her work as a fiction writer, which has brought her a Guggenheim fellowship, a National Endowment for the Arts grant, and an award from the National Institute of Arts and Letters, Paley, who considers herself "a somewhat combative pacifist and a cooperative anarchist," has long been involved in antiwar and feminist movements. A lifelong resident of New York City, she teaches at Sarah Lawrence and City College of New York.

"'You see,'" says Mr. Darwin, the elderly Russian-Jewish immigrant in Grace Paley's story "Faith in the Afternoon," "'to a Jew, the word 'shut up' is a terrible expression, a dirty word, like a sin, because in the beginning, if I remember correctly, was the word! It's a great assault. Get it?'" Got it. For fiction writer Grace Paley, as well as for her characters, the greatest assault might be the word "shut up"; the greatest responsibilities are to listen well and to speak out loud. When her first collection of stories, *The Little Disturbances of Man* (the title suggests her subject matter), appeared in 1959, Paley was immediately recognized and praised for her ability to render acutely and quickly—some of her stories are as short as two pages—what she terms the "witnessing dialects" and the

Grace Paley

comic, witty, tough, plaintive voices of New York City. Paley's work rises from the multiplicity of that city's voices. "She loves kitchens, markets, fairs, political demonstrations," writes poet Jane Cooper, "any gathering where people open up their mouths to get the day's work done."

Through Paley, we hear the voices of single and married women in stretch slacks, hungry for "important conversation," tending their sandbox babies in the neighborhood park, "co-worker(s) in the mother trade"; the conflicting voices of immigrant parents and their American-born children, such as the voice of Paley's fictional alter-ego, Faith, a first-generation "American . . . raised up like everyone else to the true assumption of happiness"; the voice of Faith's father, who, while discussing the slogan "Black is Beautiful" with the black "gatekeeper" of the nursing home, says, "If we could've thought that one up, it would've saved a lot of noses, believe me. You know what I'm talking about?"; the determined voice of Ginny, who, deserted by her husband, says, "All that is really necessary for survival of the fittest, it seems, is an interest in life, good, bad, or peculiar"; the lonely, self-justifying Irish-American voice of Mrs. Raftery, who tells the reader, as though inviting him to sit beside her on her Manhattan tenement's front stoop, "You would certainly be glad to meet me. I was the lady who appreciated youth."

"I write with an accent," said Paley in a 1981 interview with Joan Lidoff for *Shenandoah* magazine. (Ms. Lidoff is an associate professor at the University of Texas in Austin.) "I did have three languages around me when I was a kid: English and Russian and Yiddish . . . . That's what's in my ear, so it got through

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my Eustachian tubes or whatever into my throat, with several diseases that also came along." Born in 1922, the daughter of Socialist Russian-Jewish immigrants—before coming to the United States, Paley's father was exiled to Siberia, her mother to Germany—Paley grew up in the Bronx, where, she has recalled, "we had a kind of family life with people around tables telling and speaking," and where, on the streets, "everyone would sit out on boxes and folding chairs and talk . . . about in-laws, children, husbands, wives, what it was all about." ("For me," said Paley while at MWC, "a good story has at least two generations in it!") For Paley, the act of speaking out loud derives from the act of listening well; "you can't expect to be a storyteller," she told students at MWC, "unless you're a story-listener," who is "attentive" to the life around you. ("In my creative writing classes," explained Paley, who is well-known as a gifted and caring teacher, "I have my students read their work aloud. It's the politics of listening.")

Although she began writing poetry at an early age and studied poetry writing with W.H. Auden in the early 1940s (Paley briefly attended Hunter College and the New School for Social Research, but she has no college degree), she did not begin writing fiction until the 1950s when she was in her 30s. "When I was writing poems," she told Lidoff, "it was really me speaking to the world, and when I was writing stories, it was really me getting the world to speak to me . . . . before I wrote those stories, I was just stuck in my own voice. Until I was able to use other people's voices, until I was able to hear other people's voices, that I'd been hearing all my life, you know, I was just talking me-me-me."

But speaking and listening are neither simply the method of Paley's fiction, nor simply her familial inheritance; speaking and listening form the heart of her political and moral vision. Paley, who began writing fiction out of her concern for the undocumented lives of everyday women and children, whose ordinary concerns had often been considered too trivial to be the subject of "universal art," has described fiction as "illuminating what's been hidden." "Different people, new people, are telling stories," said Paley at a 1975 symposium on fiction at Washington and Lee University, "and women haven't told stories yet, not really. I think of myself as a woman who has been a writer and who has been in a tradition which is largely male . . . ." To some degree, Paley's small output—her considerable reputation is based on only 45 stories, published over a span of almost 30 years—is attributable to her having chosen to mother two children, a son and a daughter, now grown, and to the considerable time and energy she has devoted to political causes, which also allow her to speak out loud. In 1978, for instance, after she and 10 other members of the War Resisters League were arrested for stepping on the White House lawn in order to display a banner against U.S.S.R. and U.S. nuclear weapons, she said, "We were trying to speak beyond the range of our own voices, and we succeeded. We stepped on the lawn to be *heard* . . . ."

"Jokes," he accuses her. "As a writer that's your main trouble. You don't want to recognize it. Tragedy! Plain tragedy! Historical tragedy! No hope. The End." But despite her attempts to comply with his wishes, the American-born daughter cannot tell "a simple story" utterly governed "by plot, the absolute line between two points which I've always despised. Not for literary reasons, but because it takes all hope away. Everyone, real or invented, deserves the open destiny of life." For Paley, what hopeful optimistic ends are served by story-listening

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Both her political vision and her fictional characterizations are rooted in a tough-minded optimism that one of her characters calls "a rotten rosy temperment." ("My dissent is cheer," writes Paley in her poem "Definition.") In her story "A Conversation with my Father," the speaker's ailing, 86-year-old immigrant father asks his daughter, a writer, to tell him "a simple story . . . the kind de Maupassant wrote, or Chekhov . . . ." What he wants is a story which expresses his own fatalistic Old World views of suffering and the impossibility of change.

and story-telling? "People ought to live in mutual aid and concern, listening to one another's stories," she said in 1975; "I want to find out a way. Is there a way for people to tell stories to one another again and to bring one another into that kind of speaking and listening and attending community?"

Richard McCann, assistant professor of English, has had his fiction and poetry published in such periodicals as The Atlantic, Shenandoah, and The Virginia Quarterly Review.

Audiences and individuals, such as Sidney H. Mitchell, professor of English, found Ms. Paley eager to share ideas about writing—with sensitive insight and abundant good humor.

The Center for Historic Preservation sponsored another exceptional lecture series last semester, this one about our early presidents and their —

Possessions of Power

BY JOHN N. PEARCE

Enthusiastic audiences kept the Monroe Hall auditorium filled this spring to hear nationally acclaimed experts offer insights into the nation's first five presidents and their wives, both as public and private people. Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Madison and Monroe deliberately selected furnishings to express their individual conceptions of the presidency, the lecturers told us, and at the same time, they were deeply rooted in the homes to which they returned, both during and after their presidencies: Washington to Mount Vernon, Adams to the Old Manse, Jefferson to Monticello, Madison to Montpelier, and Monroe to Ash Lawn (which he called Highland) and to Oak Hill.

Special features of the programs were the "working receptions" held after each lecture. As the lectures occured within the context of a decorative arts course, participants visited a different museum or private collection each time, where the students could study a group of decorative arts objects with the professor, while there was also a reception for the speaker and for the other attendees.

"'A Splendid Misery': Myth, Symbol and Reality in Early Presidential Furniture" (Wendell Garrett, Editor and Publisher of *The Magazine ANTIQUES*)

Mr. Garrett opened the series with a penetrating examination of the deliberate symbolism of the early presidents and the myths about them and their office as seen against the background of the reality of their lives. Garrett's themes were poignantly heightened by use of Thomas Jefferson's phrase, which described the presidency and his White House life: "a splendid misery." Garrett also sounded other themes which recurred throughout the series: the way in which a president's collection of objects is very much a reflection of his world view and the way in which the objects are also clues to the most important "home truths" about the early presidents, particularly their devotion to the farms and houses which they made into their own smaller worlds.

The White House has figured prominently in the distinguished careers of Clement E. Conger and Betty C. Monkman. They confer here in the Executive Mansion's library.

"George Washington: Precedents for Presidents" (Christine Meadows, Curator of the Mount Vernon Ladies Association)

Christine Meadows has been with the Mount Vernon Ladies Association for many years and has thoroughly studied the Washingtons' objects and their uses of them. She recounted the ways in which President and Mrs. Washington and their advisers deliberately created a style of furnishing and entertaining that presented the president with both dignity and simplicity. The president needed to be recognized as clearly being a head of state, but not a king. He also needed to entertain with proper protocol.

Miss Meadows explained the ways in which the Washingtons' objects reflected these considerations and also the ways in which the objects showed the first family's awareness of changes in style and fashion within the fledgling country.

"The Adams Furniture: A Solid Inheritance" (Richard H. Randall Jr., Retired Director of the Walters Art Gallery in Baltimore)

The series turned to the furnishings of John and Abigail Adams with a lecture by the distinguished Richard H. Randall Jr., a noted scholar, who catalogued all the multi-generational furnishings at the Adams Manse in Quincy, Mass., for the National Park Service, which operates the house as a historic house museum. He also studied the Adams furniture within the overall context of American and New England decorative arts during his years as curator of decorative arts at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston.

Mr. Randall enlightened the audience about the enormous variety of such a family collection. He explained that the tall clock in the Manse's kitchen, for example, was already more than 100 years old when the Adams family placed it there in the 1780s. He contrasted this with some of the Victorian items added by President John Quincy Adams and later descendants.

"Jefferson's Furniture at Monti-

cello: Republican Virtues, Regional Values" (Charles L. Granquist, Director of The Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation)

Charles Granquist studied Thomas Jefferson's furniture in detail during the years in which he was assistant director of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation, which operates Monticello. He shared much information about Jefferson's furniture, which has perhaps more documentation than that of any other president. As with all the early presidents studied in this series, Jefferson bought a number of pieces of French furniture and other decorative arts. He also owned some English pieces and many American ones. Jefferson had a number of items made at Monticello, some by slave cabinetmakers. It was doubly interesting to learn more about the "homemade" objects and to see some of the ways in which objects, having been part of the man, now continue giving him back to us.

In one of the storerooms of the Smithsonian Institution, Margaret Brown Klapthor adjusts a Chinese robe, which was presented to First Lady Mrs. William Howard Taft early in this century.

"James and Dolley Madison: Intellect and Elegance for the Republican Court" (Conover Hunt, Consultant from Hampton, Va.)

Of particular timeliness was Conover Hunt's spirited and delightful discussion of the Madisons' furniture because the National Trust for Historic Preservation is currently involved in the study of the Madison house, Montpelier, in Orange County. Conover Hunt was director of the DAR Museum and worked with the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities after her graduation from the Winterthur Program in Early American Culture. She is now one of the most successful museum consultants/guest curators in the country. She has continued her research about the Madisons, which has led to the exhibitions/books/films she has done, such as "Dolley and the Great Little Madison."

"James Monroe and The White House: A Legacy in the French Taste" (Betty C. Monkman, Associate Curator and Registrar at the White House)

In her many years at the White House, associate curator Betty Monkman has made the Monroe furniture one of her particular studies, having published an important article on this subject in *The Connoisseur* (London). The subject is, of course, of special interest to the College and to the Fredericksburg community because Monroe began his career as a lawyer and elected official (city councilman) in Fredericksburg. Moreover, many important Monroe furnishings and other objects are in the James Monroe Law Office-Museum and Memorial Library, a National Historic Landmark museum administered by the College. In the museum are a number of pieces which were copied for the White House during the Hoover administration and which Miss Monkman illustrated in her lecture.

"The White House and Its Collections" (Clement E. Conger, Curator of the White House and Curator of the Diplomatic Reception Rooms of the State Department)

Clement E. Conger has been curator of the State Department since the 1960s and of the White House since President and Mrs. Nixon asked him to undertake that additional work in 1970. He is one of the most popular lecturers in the field of the decorative arts in America. His beautifully illustrated, dual-projection tour of the White House was a highlight of the Center's series, showing items related to all the first five presidents and served as a tie-in with other aspects of the Center's lecture series. An interesting insight from Mr. Conger's talk was the relationship of his work to the work that was carried out in the early administrations.

The Center for Historic Preservation conferred on Mr. Conger its first annual Ann Pamela Cunningham Award for Heritage Preservation.

"Power in the Nation's Attic: Presidential Collections in the Smithsonian Institution" (Margaret Brown Klapthor, Curator Emeritus of the National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution)

Many who are in the field of the American decorative arts—including every one of the other speakers in this series—have worked at one time or another with Margaret Brown Klapthor of the Smithsonian. It was thus a special delight that Mrs. Klapthor agreed to be one of the speakers in the Center's spring series, and she took her audience behind the scenes at the Smithsonian to learn from the remarkable collections which have been put together there, many under her direction. She illustrated objects related to all the themes of the lecture series, and some of her anecdotes also illustrated the behind-the-scenes battles sometimes conducted over bits and pieces of the past.

"And Yet the White House Survived" (William Seale, Historian from Alexandria, Va.)

The series ended with another entertaining as well as informative lecture, this one by William Seale, well-known throughout the country for his books and lectures. Mr. Seale, who is currently completing a multi-volume history of the physical structure of the White House, pointed out the many ways in which the building has been affected by the first five presidents—and by those who followed them. He described the various attempts to recapture some of the settings of the earliest presidents, attempts which began surprisingly early.

We hope our readers may be interested in attending future preservation conferences, seminars, and lecture series. Write to the Center for Historic Preservation, Mary Washington College, 1301 College Avenue, Fredericksburg, VA 22401-5358.

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On Campus

ADMISSIONS NEWS

BY JENIFER L. BLAIR '82

The Alumni-Student Recruitment Program has many successful projects. Outstanding among these are the receptions for students who have been offered admission to MWC. For a number of years, MWC Chapters have hosted receptions for such students who live in a Chapter's geographical area. These receptions afford prospective students and their parents the opportunity to talk with alumni, faculty, students, and an admissions representative. The primary objectives of the receptions are to answer questions, encourage campus visits, and assist students in determining whether MWC is the college that best meets their needs and interests.

Coordinating a reception involves early planning by the host Chapter and the admissions office. A reception date, usually in April, is set one year in advance. Chapter members then determine the location for their reception and arrange for refreshments for their guests. The admissions office designs and mails invitations to students and transports College representatives to the reception. Facilities used by Alumni Chapters have included a registered historic home, church social halls, community centers, and a performing arts facility. Smaller Chapters have also used park recreation centers, clubhouses, and private homes.

In addition to established Alumni Chapters, individual alumni have planned and hosted receptions in their homes. Accepted students in the Roanoke, Va., area have had the opportunity to meet one another at a reception hosted by Joan C. Niederlehner '76. Phyllis "Bee" Shanahan '55 of Northport, N.Y., invited entering freshmen, returning students, and alumni to a "Long Island Get-Together" at her home last summer.

The success of these receptions is due in great part to the enthusiasm of the alumni and the gracious hospitality that is unique to each Alumni Chapter. Whether the invitation list included 16 or 600, alumni involved in these receptions have left a positive impression on parents and students. We have enjoyed the opportunity to work with alumni in the D.C. Metro, Delaware, Fredericksburg, Peninsula, Richmond, and Tidewater Chapters. Established Alumni Chapters and individual alumni are encouraged to join us in this project, possibly hosting a summer reception for new and returning students, or in a related activity.

For further information about arranging such an activity, contact Jenifer Blair, assistant dean of admissions and financial aid, at (703) 899-4681 or write the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid, 1301 College Avenue, Fredericksburg, VA 22401-5358.

Faculty Highlights

Juliette B. Blessing, professor of modern foreign languages, attended the annual meeting of the American Society for Theatre Research in New York City where she delivered a paper, "A Legacy in Retrospect: Jacques Copeau and the American Theatre."

David W. Cain, professor of religion, authored a scenic essay, which was published in the magazine, *Vermont Life.* He and his family had spent three summers in that state, serving a small church in Clarendon.

Steven L. Czarsty, chairperson of the Department of Business Administration and director of the M.B.A. program, discussed a paper on "The Financial Characteristics of Acquired Firms: Foreign and Domestic" at a meeting of the Southeast American Institute for Decision Sciences in Orlando, Fla. The organization also officially changed its name to Southeast Decision Science Institute.

Faculty members of the Department of Art attended the 1986 Annual Meeting of the College Art Association of America, which was held in New York City. Joseph G. Dreiss, associate professor and chairperson of the department, Paul C. Muick, professor, Cornelia D. Oliver, professor, Lorene C. Nickel, assistant professor, and Stephen L. Griffin, assistant professor, participated in the conference sessions.

James E. Goehring, assistant professor of religion, authored a book, *The Letter of Ammon and Pachomian Monasticism,* which was published by Walter de Gruyter of West Germany. The volume was included in the well-known Patristische Texte and Studien series.

Carter L. Hudgins, director of the Center for Historic Preservation and chairperson of the Department of Historic Preservation, was elected to membership in the Council of Virginia Archaeologists, a statewide organization comprised of professional archaeologists employed by colleges, universities and research organizations.

He also participated in the symposium, "Ethno-History and Historical Archaeology in the Caribbean," at Johns Hopkins University. Twenty scholars met at the invitation of the program in Atlantic History, Culture and Society. Dr. Hudgins and John N. Pearce, assistant director of the center, attended the University of Virginia's Thirteenth Annual Preservation Conference in Charlottesville, whose theme was "Industry and Preservation: The Role of Corporate America."

Michael J. Joyce, assistant professor of dramatic arts and chairperson of the Department of Dramatic Arts and Dance, is co-host of the new "Weeknight Alive!" magazine show on Maryland Public Television (MPT). This program is billed by MPT as a "Maryland cultural catalogue."

Bernard C. Lemoine, professor of music, was a member of the American delegation to the Franz Liszt Centennial Celebration in Budapest at the invitation of the Hungarian government. The professor has been recognized by both the American and European Liszt Societies for his extensive research on the composer. Dr. Lemoine's daughter, Lisa, a student at East Carolina University, accompanied her father to the festivities.

Richard J. McCann, assistant professor of English, was once again a Fellow at the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts and also had poetry published in *The Virginia Quarterly Review* and in *From Mt. San Angelo,* an anthology edited by William Smart. His short story, "My Mother's Clothes: The School of Beauty and Shame," appeared in *The Atlantic,* formerly *The Atlantic Monthly.*

Shah M. Mehrabi, assistant professor of economics, discussed three papers at two sessions on "Development and Financial Problems in Central America and Mex-

Events on Campus

January

The Department of Art sponsored an art exhibit, "Where Four Art Thou?," featuring the works of four students from the senior class . . . The College's Cap and Gown Chapter of Mortar Board, senior honor society for men and women, hosted the 1986 Mortar Board Sectional Meeting with 40 outstanding student leaders from Delaware to North Carolina in attendance . . . *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* selected 26 MWC students for inclusion in the 1986 edition . . . duPont Galleries hosted two shows: "American Painter-Printmakers" from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and "W. Clark Baughan/ Rebecca Crowell," a two-person exhibit of paintings . . . Professor Henry Tropp from Humboldt State University in California spoke on the history of computing, choosing as his topic, "Aiken's Era" . . . The first-semester Dean's List included the names of 272 students who attained a grade point average of 3.5 or better; 63 students received grades of all A's . . .

February

Harry Rea, the director of fisheries for the Peace Corps, lectured on "Opportunities in the Peace Corps" when he visited campus . . . The State Council of Higher Education in Virginia awarded MWC a $25,600 grant to assist the Fredericksburg City Schools in training teachers in computer literacy . . . In observance of Black History Month, two musical performances were given—one by the Howard University Jazz Ensemble and the other by the Virginia State University Gospel Ensemble . . . Mauricio O. Bas Sr., author of *Philippine Martial Law,* delivered a lecture, "The Philippine Election in Perspective" . . . A two-person exhibition—paintings by Virginia Derryberry and drawings by Alison Helm—opened in the duPont Galleries . . . America's first full-time performing brass ensemble, the Annapolis Brass Quintet, delighted the concert audience in the Ballroom of Ann Carter Lee Hall . . .

March

Paul Halmos, eminent mathematician and past president of the Mathematical Association of America, chose "The Elements of Mathematics" as his topic when he addressed an audience at the College . . . The plight of the Church in the Soviet bloc was the featured topic of Ernest Gordon, president of CREED (Christian Rescue Effort for the Emancipation of Dissidents) . . . The MWC Chorus's Winter Concert, under the direction of Stephen J. Burton, assistant professor of music, featured the Madrigal Singers and music by di Lasso, Morley and Billings . . . Pianist Leon Bates, one of the leading performers on the American music scene, performed in concert . . . Dietter Dettke, executive director of the Friedrich Ebert Foundation, and Gale Mattox, professor of political science at the Naval Academy, jointly lectured on the "The Future of the Atlantic Alliance: European and American Perspectives" . . . The Morehouse College Glee Club, whose spirited motto is "Brothers in Song, Sing On!," delighted an audience with a lively concert program . . . Saluting the 200th Anniversary of the signing of the Statute of Religious Freedom in Fredericksburg, the College-Community Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of James E. Baker, professor of music, presented a special concert, featuring original compositions by faculty members and a former MWC student . . .

Leon Bates

Annapolis Brass Quintet

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ico" at centennial meetings of the American Economic Association. He also chaired a session on "Agriculture in Developing Nations" and discussed a paper on "Production and Distribution of Food in Developing Countries" at the 55th Annual Conference of the Southern Economic Association.

Thomas G. Moeller, associate professor of psychology, was one of 23 people who received an award for service to the disabled. The Fredericksburg Council for Exceptional Children bestowed the honor.

Aniano Pena, associate professor of modern foreign languages, attended The Fourth Annual Southeast Conference on Foreign Languages and Literatures at Rollins College in Winter Park, Fla. He chaired two sessions on Spanish Literature of the Golden Age and presented the paper, "La motivacion del Quijote" ("The Motivation of Don Quixote").

Cheryl A. Staunton, instructor in the Department of Modern Foreign Languages, successfully defended her dissertation for the Ph.D. in French literature. Her dissertation, "Three Senegalese Women Novelists: A Study in Temporal/ Spatial Structures," was defended at George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

Class Notes

There are many recent weddings to report:

Patricia Ann Haas '75 to David Adams Cleveland

Virginia Bond Cobb '79 to Wilson Kell Gay Jr.

Ruby Louise Morris '80 to Joseph Douglas Martin

Cynthia Ann Hull '80 to Thomas Stanley Vitt

Wendy Prothro '82 to Thomas Francis Guzi

Deborah Ann Childress '83 to Charles Edward Marshall

Sharon T. Utz '83 to Charles Richard Black

Vicky Regina Eakin '84 to Lt. Michael Robert Sagehorn

Jacqueline Anne Turk '84 to Teiji Lee Epling

Cheryl Ann Leonard '85 to Arden Lee Beagle Jr.

Tamrya Lee Rose '85 to John Scott Moretti

Mary Dulaney White '85 to Larry Lee Davis

Patricia Ann Bailey '87 to Francis Stuart Marshall Jr.

And, although the "goat" news will not appear until the next issue of *MWC Today*, we want to welcome one new arrival born to a member of the class of '74 and her husband:

Harriet Simpson Burch '74 and Bob, a son, Robert James Burch Jr., born in January 1986.

Congratulations to all!

GOLDEN CLUB NEWS

Mattie Hogge Bunkley Charles '13, a resident of the Patrick Henry Nursing Home in Newport News, recently celebrated her 100th birthday!

If you are a Golden Club member and do not have a class agent, please send your news to the Alumni Office.

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Mrs. Mary Briscoe Butler
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Mrs. Phronsie Marsh Sitwell
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1929

Mrs. Helen VanDenburg Hall
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Your Golden Club president's letter reminding all members to make a date for 1986 Homecoming was evidently most effective and supportive. It was very encouraging when so many letters and cards arrived from our class for our 55th reunion. The "Go Girls" responded splendidly.

To all of you Golden Club members from other years, I send my most sincere thanks for all the mail I received from you. I found it to be most gratifying.

Emily Thruston Llewellyn sent me a beautiful Christmas card along with her letter. Emily had a marvelous time spending her vacation in New Jersey last summer. She also attended two family weddings while there.

Lucille Duffy Conovich kept me well-posted while traveling through the West and out to California. Lucille is usually "on the go" either attending a university or traveling.

Mary Virginia Willson, vice president of the Golden Club, is a most ardent worker for the Alumni. Mary Virginia is recuperating from a cataract condition. She hopes to get to Homecoming even if for Saturday alone. She has been a darling for attending meetings which the president could not attend. We all owe her a big thank-you.

Mary E. Tarpley answered the "Go Girls" letter with ever so much enthusiasm. She is coming to '86 Homecoming. Mary, we hope your enthusiasm will reach others whom you can bring along. The Golden Club will love you all the more for that.

Florence "Fiffy" Johnson Dodge tells me she is ever so sorry that she cannot be with us this year. Florence, your Christmas card and notes were great. Keep writing, please.

Surprise! Don't ever tell me that my "Go Girls" letter did not get around! Also heard from none other than **Eleanor "Lovebird" Dickerson Van Train** '34. You must remember Lovebird, who is now known in Houston as "Choo-Choo Van Train." She will try her best to get to '86 Homecoming. Choo-Choo will be the center of attraction with her magnetic personality.

Clara Boyd Wheeler traveled to the West Coast with her sister last fall.

Courtney Edmond Van Fassen '40 wrote to tell me how diligently she worked to prevent the change of the name of MWC. I do hope Courtney arrives for the Homecoming.

My most sincere thanks must be sent to Pamela C. Kearney, director of alumni programs. Pamela's efforts in keeping me supplied with printed information are surely appreciated.

Suzanne Smithson Hall '75 keeps me well-informed by phone, which I find most helpful. Suzanne, many thanks from the Class of '31.

Class of '31, this is our 55th year of enjoying the honor of being alumnae of MWC. What an investment that was for us! Please be kind to our alma mater by contributing generously to the Annual Fund.

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Isebelle Page Burden (Mrs. George L.)
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This is February, and you will be reading the news this summer. So go deadlines.

Thanks for the Christmas messages. Would love to hear from others. I hope many of you will come to MWC in May. I've been for the last three years and enjoyed every minute there.

Just received a note from **Alice "Prissy" Belotte Vaughan**. She would love to be with us in May, but transportation is a problem. She talked with **Marie Finney Pennewell** in December.

Mina Poffenbarger Hartman and **Martha Moore Edwards** got together last summer. Plenty of chit-chat, I'll bet.

Ethel Turner Horner and husband Basil, along with **Nancy Tyler Meade** and **Mary Dove** '32 enjoyed a trip to Nova Scotia—sailing out of New York.

Ava Smith's mother celebrated her 97th birthday in November. **Alma "Murk" Murchison** had a role in "The Matchmaker" at her theater in Rocky Mount, N.C. She also had a wonderful Alaskan cruise last June. **Lois Cornwell Draper** from Louisa dropped by for a visit, and I went to Blackstone recently for a few hours with my former roommate, **Alice Hunter Irby Gordy**. Thanks for your lovely cards: **Reba Collier Thorpe, Alice Early Thompson** and **Anna Hunter Adams**.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Page Galie
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Alexandria, VA 22308

Frances A. Mays was operated on at Stuart Circle Hospital, Richmond, Va. During the summer of 1984 on a trip to England and Scotland, she had a game of golf on the course at St. Andrews. In October 1984, she joined a People-to-People Travel group consisting of persons who work in public health and preventive medicine. The group traveled in Australia and New Zealand, meeting with counterparts in various cities.

Ella Sue Howell Tripp is now a retired school teacher of Suffolk school system. She

and her husband have made trips this past year to Cape Canaveral, Epcot and Pensacola. They have three children, who are all married, and two grandchildren and three step-grandchildren. They spend much time reading and doing church work and yard work. Some time is spent at a friend's cottage in Kill Devil Hills, N.C.

Helena E. Lewis hopes to come to Homecoming this year. She is retired from teaching. She had worked in Shenandoah, Fairfax and Arlington County. She has traveled extensively to many places by ocean liner—one time in a hurricane. She has traveled to Europe, Mexico, the Canary Islands, Greece (with an MWC tour), Scandinavia, Bermuda and the Caribbean. She is treasurer of her Delta Kappa Gamma Society and member of the International Society.

Isabel Burruss Grizzard and her husband spent three weeks in Europe last September. They visited their daughter and her husband in Guernsey, one of the English Channel Islands. The four of them toured France and spent some time on Jersey Island.

Mary Etta Payne Gordon writes what a great celebration Homecoming '85 was, "I can't believe it!" She and her husband spent some time with her daughter and family in Jacksonville, N.C. Mary Etta and husband live a quiet life. She sings in her church choir and is a member of the Fredericksburg Retired Teachers Association and the Fredericksburg Chapter of the Alumni Association.

It was good getting news from **Mary L. Carter Mercer**. She is a widow of 29 years with two children and four grandchildren. She taught school for 28 years, gained library certification and a master's degree before retiring. She has traveled to the West Coast twice, Nova Scotia, Mexico and Canada. She is doing volunteer work now: church librarian, Meals-on-Wheels volunteer, and a participant in women's club crafts.

I was not going to let this issue go to the press without hearing from **Dot Seay** and **Evelyn Murdock**, so I called them. It was great hearing from them.

Dorothy Seay Owen has been traveling a bit. She went to Spain last spring on a tour with the Spanish professor of Old Dominion University and a student teacher from MWC who happened to be on the same tour. Dot and her family made a trip to New York just before Christmas. She and family are planning a trip in May to Alaska and the World's Fair.

Evelyn Murdock Loving in her retirement is doing work for her church, Meals-on-Wheels, and the Heart Fund and is working in the Chesmond Women's Club. She is enjoying quilting and has made quite a few quilts for her children. She expects to go to California in May for a visit.

Betty Griffith Schmidt's husband has been in and out of hospitals recently with a heart condition.

I have had an exciting trip to Tahiti, Moorea, Australia (I did climb a little of Ayres rock to see the Great Coral Reef), New Zealand, Fiji. I also took an enameling class at an Elderhostel at John C. Campbell Folk School in October.

I called **Barbara Skidmore Sheehan** for her news. She taught for only 10 years but spent most of her life doing church and hospital volunteer work. She has always lived in the same neighborhood. Her daughter, **Donna**, graduated from MWC in 1968. Last year Barbara and her husband, who is retired from the U.S. government, made a trip to Alaska.

Florence Levin Rosen sent me details of her education and accomplishments since graduation from MWC. She retired seven years ago as administrative assistant planner and coordinator of the federal programs for Norfolk public schools. She got her master's degree from Duke University in 1939 and her doctorate in 1954. From 1935-48 she taught school in Fauquier County and Norfolk. From 1948-64 she was principal at elementary schools: Patrick Henry School, Chesterfield Heights School, Marshall School, and Easton School. Florence is retired but actively doing volunteer work at Virginia Beach General Hospital two days a week on the auxiliary board. She is chairman of their legislative committee, co-chairman of their finance committee, and member of the auction committee. Florence and her husband have traveled to Europe 14 times. She and her husband share their life with Ross, their miniature dachshund puppy. Come to Homecoming this year, Florence. Every year is Homecoming for us 50-year students!

1937

Evelyn Riggs Ellington
711 Connecticut Ave.
Norfolk, VA 23508

Greetings to all of you for 1986, and keep in mind that next year is 1987—time for our 50th! Wherever you are, start making plans now to attend.

Last May I visited **Pauline King**, who lives close to Trench Hill. It happened to be Homecoming, so we enjoyed several activities with our friends from the Classes of 1935 and 1940, the first time we had seen them since our graduation.

During the last several months, I have heard from only a few of you. Sorry I let the last deadline slip by, so some of this news is a little old.

Ann Lipscomb Kline of Arlington keeps in touch with **Selma Piland Johnston** there. She says that life as a widow has its ups and downs, but she keeps busy with volunteer work, short trips, and bridge. She has four daughters and four grandchildren. Her fourth daughter will be married this March. Early in '85 Ann and a friend enjoyed a Caribbean cruise with seven ports of call, wonderful sights, sun, food, shows, the works.

Eloise Trussell Kousz, Glendolden, Pa., and husband enjoyed a trip to Epcot before Christmas. Then for New Year's they went with two couples to Williamsburg to celebrate the arrival of 1986. Last August they flew to Bermuda for a week and then to Capon Springs, W.Va., for her birthday in October. At home Eloise stays active in church activities, DAR, Delta Kappa Gamma, and Retired Teachers Association.

Frances Sherman Spencer and husband winter in McAllen, Texas, away from the farm and cold weather in Monroe City, Mo. They find many activities down there which they enjoy.

Lib Johnson Birtwell, Bradenton, Fla., has surely done her part for our class, having sent

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Fredericksburg, Virginia 22401-5358
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several letters out in the last year or so about pertinent issues. We thank her for her efforts and look forward to our 50th reunion, which she will help to plan. We hope her health is improving by now. I have tried to call her but failed to reach her—but will try again.

Our Tidewater Chapter, MWC Alumni, had a joint meeting with the Peninsula Chapter in January. We met at the Omni in Norfolk and had as our guest speaker Dr. William Anderson. Mrs. Anderson, **Bobbie Burton** '74, and several others came from the College.

1939

Mary W. Bowles Hartley (Mrs. S.T.)
3464 Colonial Ave., S.W.,
Apt. P-108
Roanoke, VA 24018

More news than usual this time. A long letter from **Jeanne Johnson Rust** came just after the last deadline. Sending greetings and best wishes to all, she says she is "fine, fat and sassy" and "tries to keep her hair up and her weight down." Jeanne's husband of 45 years has retired, and she enjoys having him home. They shop, walk, swim, go to the beach—love to "ride the waves." They have four grandsons and one granddaughter—three sons, you know. One son is a lawyer; one, in computers; the other, manager of a record store. Jeanne has a large perennial garden. Many of the plants came from her mother's garden and her mother-in-law's garden. Jeanne and John are active members at Truro Episcopal Church. She works on Altar Guild. Jeanne has written several articles about the history of the area which are being made into videotapes. Jeanne says she looks back on the years at Mary Washington as some of the happiest of her life.

Recently have had notes from several classmates: **Frances Brooks Davis** writes that her youngest son, Wayne, lives in Roanoke where he is director of the Big Brother and Big Sister program. **Madora Forbush Brown** came from Denver to Fredericksburg for her high school class 50th reunion last spring. **Elnora Overley Johnson** and husband Jack, both graduates of that class, were also present. Madora and sister then had a long visit to the British Isles and then from Brussels to Venice, then Switzerland—an extensive tour. At Christmas a card from Madora tells of her traveling to Albuquerque and attending the International Balloon Race. From Elnora at Christmas, a letter about operations and travels, but how wonderful to recuperate with a tour of Portugal, Morocco, Spain, and Gibraltar.

My life is full and content with involvement at church and with family and friends. Every day that is not inclement I walk 2½ miles up-and-down-hill at about a mile-a-15-minute pace.

1941

Mrs. Meliscent Graeff Smith
606 Clearview
Ligonier, PA 15658

From Dec. 1 to April 1:
29 Barron Way.
Southwind Village
North Fort Myers, FL 33903

Eleanor Batschelet Smith has spent many years working in the Eastern Star. Her greatest accomplishment was her election as Marshal of Grand Chapter Virginia, Order of the Eastern Star, during which time she visited every chapter in the state of Virginia.

June Stoll Artunkal and her husband have attended two medical congresses at Berlin and Nairobi. Their trip continued as they went on a safari. Later they visited in Cairo, and, as she says, "went floating down the Nile."

Eva Catafygiotu Topping sent me an interesting letter to be shared with all. She wrote that **Lois Loehr Brown** is a pillar of her church; is learning to play the guitar; swims and wins medals; and travels extensively here and abroad. Eva reads, writes and publishes. During the summer, she and her husband spent 2½ months in Belgium, Bulgaria and Greece. In Athens she was interviewed in Greek for the radio! She found it fun to again be speaking so much Greek.

I received a great letter from **Lorraine Dove Buglia**. She is a retired principal of an elementary school in Fairfax County. There are two boys and two girls in her family as well as five grandchildren. Her husband is deceased.

After receiving her Class of '41 reunion letter, she called her former roommate, **Peggy Thompson**. They had a wonderful hour of catching up.

1943

Frances Willis Stevens
432 Oakland Drive
Raleigh, NC 27609

Mrs. Dorabelle Forrest Cox
135 Forrest Drive
Poquoson, VA 23662

Mrs. Hilda Holloway Law
6 Ensigne Spence
Williamsburg, VA 23185

From Frances:

Mary Wallace Farr and husband will continue to be "volunteers in missions" for another year in Nevada. "There are still plenty of people who do not know the Lord, and also there is a 50-foot addition on the church building that needs to be completed on the inside." She was in charge of the Christmas program presented by the schoolchildren. For their vacation, they took a cruise on a British ship to the Caribbean to 13 ports as far as Caracas, Venezuela.

From **Pris Macpherson Allen** comes word of a new grandson in '85. She now has four grandchildren and two on the way. She recommends the house tours in Fredericksburg for any who live near enough. "Am still volunteering at the White House once a week and thoroughly enjoy it." Pris, let us know more of what you do there!

Kitty Pinner Grinstead writes she was hospitalized for several weeks in September but is fine now. She and Jimmy are retired at Massanutten Village Resort. They flew to Dallas in December to see one daughter, Jamie, receive her Ph.D. in industrial engineering and then spent Christmas in Richmond with daughter Margie. Kitty, we're delighted you're doing fine now!

Dick and **Peg Moran Logan**'s Christmas card was a real newsletter with pictures. They had just returned from "six months of travel over the Pacific Northwest and Alaska" to fulfill their retirement dream—to travel leisurely. "Our Alaskan experience started when we drove our truck and trailer into the hold of the *S.S. Stardancer* for the cruise. They stopped at Juneau, Skagway, disembarked at Haines at 11 p.m. in broad daylight, saw their first bear on the road to Chugach State Park, and drove through "13 miles of muck" only to have to be pulled back on the road. They lunched in senior centers and talked to many natives; saw natives swimming in the Bering Sea; toured Denali (Mt. McKinley) National Park, Fairbanks; and took a day's trip on the Yukon. On the way back, they stopped to meet their 13th grandchild, Kathryn. In March, Peg and Dick will leave for Rome for the ordination of their nephew.

Eleanor Wilbourne Pinkerton has retired from the U.S. gov't. and plans to move from N.C. to Tampa where she hopes to form an MWC Alumni Chapter.

My husband retired in January '85, and we were given a beautiful dinner and tickets for an October trip to England, Germany, Austria and Switzerland. We had a wonderful three weeks visiting old friends and making many new ones. Some highlights were Kathe Wolhfart's Christmas Shop in Germany; the town of Salzberg; the snow-capped peaks surrounding St. Moritz; a visit to the Wedgewood factory in England; the concert by the Vienna Hofburg Orchestra; and the trip through the Brenner Pass and The Alps.

Dorabelle Forrest Cox wrote that she had a 10-day trip to Israel and saw the country from east to west and north to south. She sang in a concert choir with the Bill Gaither Trio. This was a month's vacation from her choir work—the second time in 18 years. She also visited the mountains and coast of North Carolina. She is in her third year as vice regent of the local DAR, and husband Gordon is vice mayor of Poquoson.

From Dorabelle:

In 1985 **Hilda Holloway Law** and husband Dana spent six weeks touring Western Europe and also drove across the country to visit relatives in Arizona and California. Hilda and **Bertha Dickinson Taylor** met with me and combined information and pictures for our class scrapbook; we are up-to-date, but we'd love it if you would send your news and articles about your '43 classmates for it.

Jean McCraig Rosser's (attended only freshman year) husband died in August. **Bertha Dickinson Taylor** and husband Lisle took a trip to London last May. **Alice Burton Chapell** and husband "Chippie" retired from Williamsburg to Florida last fall. **Flora Copenhaver Scott**'s daughter, Flora Amanda DeBusk, was married in August. **Mamie Stahle Allen** has moved to a new house in Newport News. My one and only granddaughter, Amory Ann Car, 19, was married in March '85. Can you imagine that!

In another Christmas letter, **Isabel Martin Wermeyer** gave a resume of her interesting experiences living in numerous parts of the world, including Bahia, Brazil, for two years and Tripoli, Libya, for 15½ years. Isabel and Ray have two sons and presently live in Den-

ver. She would love to hear from friends and is at 4405 Zanthia St., Denver, CO 80237.

1945

Virginia Gunn Blanton
369 Lexington Road
Richmond, VA 23226

Jessie Chatto Duncan has retired after 30 years of teaching in Newark, Del. She was named Delaware's Teacher of the Year in 1970! Her husband, Raymond, is associate director of athletics at the University of Delaware. Both are avid golfers.

Mary Lou Conover Miller called from Atherton, Calif., and we had a wonderful chat catching up on children's activities. Her son, Peter, writes for *National Geographic* magazine, so she hopes to visit MWC on a trip East to visit him in Washington, D.C. Her husband, Bob, is an attorney. (Bob even strolled across Mrs. Bushnell's beautiful green lawn between Virginia and Mary Ball back in '44 after being assured that it was okay to do so by some other less-than-honest dates waiting in Mrs. B's office. Mary Lou nearly fainted!)

Lois French Lockhart is an English teacher and part-time librarian at Clintwood (Va.) High School. She finds time for her hobbies: traveling with her family, needlepoint, crocheting, and Tokyobunka.

Florence "Flossie" Guthrie Krisch is secretary-treasurer to Harko, Inc., in Exton, Pa., and a charter member of the Richmond Chapter of the National Secretaries Association.

Marilyn Kitchen Vick is active in civic and church activities in Courtland, Va. She enjoys handicrafts and keeps busy with three sons.

Louise Lilly Barrett and her husband, a farmer, have three children, who live in Raleigh, Richmond and Williamsburg. Knitting and refinishing furniture are Lil's hobbies.

Virginia Lamberth Edwards has been busy since graduation with her family of two daughters, two sons, and four grandchildren. Her career also keeps her busy. She taught in high school and business college and then was conference manager and manager of conference services for Colonial Williamsburg for 18 years.

Betty Jane Onley Klauber lives in Greenwood, S.C. Her civic activities include membership in the Greenwood County Medical Auxiliary, Community Chest chairman, and secretary to the Parent-Youth League. Church work, sewing, cooking, and her children also keep her busy.

Mildred "Pat" Savedge lives in Hampton where she works as a computer programmer for NASA-Langley Research Center. Pat majored in music at MWC. Since traveling is her hobby, she went to Rio with the MWC Alumni Travel Program.

Ellen Trimble Morton also lives in Hampton and is a physical therapist at Hampton Veterans Administration Hospital. Swimming, horseback riding and dancing are hobbies. Ellen has a son who is a pilot, a daughter, and a son who graduated from James Madison University (formerly Madison College—it was for women only when we were at Mary Washington).

I had a long chat with **Elinor McClellan Cox**, who came to our reunion last year from Lafayette, Ind. She stays busy with her jewelry store, Elinor Cox Diamonds, and she and Gene are enjoying their grandson.

Florence Watts Barker will be a grandmother again any day now, and I have a new grandson born in December to my son, Randolph, and his wife in Rhode Island.

1947

Mrs. Barbara Curtice Noll
2122 Grayson Place
Falls Church, VA 22043

1949

June Davis McCormick (Mrs. John)
18 Lynnbrook Road
St. Louis, MO 63131

Anna Dulany Devening (Mrs.)
Route 1, Box 106B
Broad Run, VA 22014

1985 was not a good year for the '49ers in that we lost **Charlotte Kalil Harvey** and **Irvin Whitlow Westbrook**. Both Charlie and Kitten were devoted workers for our class and their communities. Kitten, of course, served as class agent for five years. Both were very special and dear to us all, and we shall remember them with love.

While in Richmond last June, one visit with Kitten produced a bonus of seeing **Barbara Watson Barden** and her handsome Bob. They came to see Kitten en route to a wedding in Charlottesville and an overnight stay with **Andi Dulany Devening** at Broad Run. Barbara and Andi were Kitten's roommates at MWC, as was **Margaret Thompson Pridgen**, the beginning of their enduring friendships.

Classmates present at Kitten's funeral in August were Andi, **Frances "Frankie" McGlothlin Borkey, Marion "Wendy" Selfe Kelly** and George, **Dottie Matheny Blake** and T.J., **Hilda Jones Blakemore** and Bill. Our class was represented in body as well as spirit, and flowers ordered for the hospital from the '49ers were ultimately, and appropriately, at the services.

On a happier note, the trip to Richmond ended in a reunion with my long-lost cousin **Lee Jett Marsh Baldwin** '46. Over the years, we'd lost touch, and I'd searched '46 Notes for news of her. You'll recall that in our freshman year she was the outstanding student government president and leader par excellence. We grew up together in our hometown of Reedville, Va., and she was instrumental in my attending MWC. After many years and divergent paths, I found her again in Richmond.

While this is our issue, the following is especially for that great Goat Class of '46: Lee recently took early retirement and returned to Virginia after living in New York for many years, rearing her family and teaching music. She has three sons, Wayland "Blair" Sutton, and **Robert Whittier "Whit" Baldwin**, and one daughter, Mary Honor "Bee." Whit is a brand new MWC alumnus, Class of '85. The pending name change being much in the news during my stay, Lee and I discussed our analysis of the questionnaire we all received. Since Whit had just graduated from MWC, I was interested in his reaction to attending a school with a feminine name and learned it had not mattered at all to him . . . not a whit!

During our freshman year, I lived off-campus and had a senior roommate, **Doris "Dopus" Davis** from Batavia, N.Y. I spent so much time in Westmoreland with those dear '46ers that I was often mistaken for a senior and was asked directions! Belated yet heartfelt thanks to Lee and so many of her classmates who took me under their wing. I always read your Class Notes and hope you'll catch this update on Lee. And happy 40th reunion to you!

On the flight back to St. Louis, my seatmate turned out to be **Betty Wilkinson Davis** '51, who was a day student from Fredericksburg. Betty lives in Richmond and teaches math at Hermitage High in Henrico County. She was en route to a wedding in St. Louis, and we shared many coincidences, memories of MWC, and mutual friends throughout the flight. Small world!

While on a vacation trip in the fall, Andi passed through Bedford, Va., where **Betty Bond Heller Synan** met her for breakfast. Amidst all the girl talk, they reviewed Betty Bond's recent trip to the islands and the enrollment of her last fledgling, Anne, in Goucher College in the environs of Baltimore.

Also last fall we received several pretty postcards from faraway places with Oriental names as **Jackie McConnell Scarborough** and Les made their grand tour of the Orient. Back in Stone Mountain, Ga., by Christmas, Jackie said they still were suffering from jet lag.

Lucy Vance Gilmer is a faithful reporter; from her we learned of **Sarah Hayter Helton**'s husband Orville's death following a lengthy illness. We received a lovely letter from Sarah after proffering our sympathies. Sarah has four sons, three married, and seven grandchildren. Her youngest son graduated in June from VPI and now works for Alcoa in Knoxville, Tenn. She talks with Lucy and **Mary Ann Godsey Little**, both in Bristol, quite often. Sarah said she'd really like to attend the next reunion, especially after our write-up of the last one.

Thanks to those of you who wrote kind or hysterical notes regarding our attempt at descriptive prose. If we piqued your interest or brought back fond memories, we achieved our purpose. Let's share Betty Bond's own summation of our reunion: "We must have cut quite a wide swath on campus last year, but then I choose to think we always did!" Right on, B.B.!

That reunion report drew a letter from **Una Hayes Fleischmann** in Weston, Mass. A '49er for freshman year only, she wrote she still has fond memories of that time and many delightful people. She would like to locate **Beryl Dawley** who came from New York City and **Joy Gaudet** from Natchez, Miss. We have no record of them in our printout; can anyone help her find these lost classmates? Also Una said her daughter, Susan, married the son, William, of **Patricia Launer Erickson**, another '49er, who didn't complete the full four years. While Una and Pat didn't know each other at MWC, they now wish they had. Small world, too.

We also would like to find **Betty Ann Phillips** and **Virginia Littlegreen Filling**, for whom we have no information. With your help, we've found quite a few of the "missing," so do let us know if you are in touch with any of these.

Romance fills the heirs: **Frankie McGlothlin Borkey**'s daughter was married in January; Andi's youngest, Scott, chose April 19 to take unto himself his lovely bride, with a wedding trip to the Homestead, Hot Springs; and Barb and Bob Barden's pretty Priscilla is officially engaged, with no wedding date set at this writing. The Bardens' Christmas card depicted a wintry landscape of their barnyard, an original watercolor executed by Bob. Such a talented family!

Speaking of pictures, did you notice the return of the reunion class pictures in the fall issue? Too bad they weren't reinstated last year for ours. It was nice to see the Class of '50. **Marcy Weatherly Morris** and others look lovely as ever, and I'd have known Dr. Insley anywhere.

1951

Cynthia Medley England
267 15th Ave., S.
Naples, FL 33940

Many, many thanks to **Ruth DeMiller Hill** for furnishing me with plenty of news for this issue. My husband, Sam, and I have been in the process of moving, plus I've had several writing commitments, so . . . I'm indebted to Ruthie.

Now here are some tidbits from Ruth:

Elizabeth "Fitzi" Braden, who lives in King George, Va., is still teaching.

Ann Penney Ross says she has renewed her friendship with **Mary Janet Graceley Lyness**, a '51 classmate. They live close to each other in New Jersey. Ann says she lost her mother in July 1984 "while I was in Jordan on an archaeological dig." Ann has five grandchildren and continues to serve as a Welcome Wagon hostess.

Betsy Fletcher Adams reports that daughters Leslie and Margaret work and live in Houston. Daughter Ann is completing a course for her master's and will go to the University of Virginia for her doctorate in biomedical engineering. Jenny, the youngest daughter, is a plebe at West Point.

Now we hear from **Judy Campbell Kern**, who writes:

"My cousin and I spent the year between August '84 and '85 going, going, going." Ann and cousin went to New England, Canada and New York City "where we saw eight Broadway shows and ate at many famous restaurants . . ." They also went to Europe, covering 11 countries in 27 days. In a couple of years they are planning a trip to Kenya.

Judy, who lives in Strasburg, Va., was finally blessed with a grandson, after five granddaughters. "Are we ever having fun buying boy's clothes," she says.

And speaking of grandchildren, **Winnie Horton Brock** now has three grandsons. She and Ruth visit each other a couple of times a year. Seems Winnie's youngest daughter, Sherri, always loved hearing her mother and Ruth talk about college days.

Ginny Orkney Philbrick '52 of Lynchburg, Va., said she and '51 grad **Bobbie Kelley** attend the same church, and they run into each other there on occasion.

That's it for now, and thanks again, Ruth, for giving me a hand. Trust we'll see each other this year down in subtropical Naples.

Cynthia Medley England has done a superb job as class agent, but she is resigning. Cynthia, we'll miss you, and we appreciate all of your efforts!

1953

Carol Ann Smith Boyes (Mrs. William W.)
2214 McAuliffe Drive
Rockville, MD 20851

Every so often something nice happens. When **Dot Reisig** surprises me with a late evening telephone call, we talk for sometimes an hour. Dot sounds very well; you will all be glad to hear. She always gives me a boost. And she has put us in touch again with **Arlene Phelps Nichols**. Arlene and her husband, Al, still live in Mich. Their daughter, Susan, just graduated from high school.

Dot Hunter Britt is the third member of those suitemates we have heard about. She has changed careers and has become a reading specialist. Another friend Dotty tells me about is **Lois Harder** , who now is the resident director of Jefferson Hall at MWC.

Ann Dewitt Harvey was another surprise for me this week, showing up at the Nat'l. Gallery. We walked and talked color and Impressionism for awhile. Ann was in Washington as a member of the Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee. They act as advisors to the U.S. Postal Service on the design of our postage stamps.

Mary Lou Dodge and **Betty "Monte" Vandemark** sent a postcard from the Metropolitan Museum in New York. They had a great weekend visit after not having seen one another for years.

1955

Sally Hanger Moravitz
2268 Providence St.
Falls Church, VA 22043

Carol Kolton Bryson wrote that son David received his master's in biology, is living in Knoxville, Md., and is working for the U.S. Dept. of Energy in Washington, D.C.

I was in Atlanta in June of '85 and called **Nonnie Burks Harris**. Small world department: Her brother, Fred, used to work at the Appalachian Regional Commission where my husband is exec. dir. Nonnie had been in Atlanta for two years when I talked with her. She was teaching kindergarten in Fulton County, which was a long commute from where she lived. Her husband, Bill, is dir. of human resources for Ga. Federal Bank. None of their four children were married when I talked with her. Holly, 28, graduated from U.N.C. and was working in property management in Charleston, S.C. Clay, 26, went to Hampden-Sidney and U.Va. and was in O.C.S. with the Navy in San Diego in June '85. Two were still in school: Beth at East Carolina and Randy at Hampden-Sidney. Nonnie saw **Betsy Bear Noell** at V.M.I. in 1984 when Betsy's youngest son graduated.

While trying to get in touch with **Eileen West Grenfeld**, I talked to **Mary Lou Grenfeld Borcherding**. Ah, memories of back hall, third floor Willard. Mary Lou and Bill live in Oakton, and he is a banker with Continental Federal Savings & Loan in Fairfax. Their two children are both married. Marie, 28, has two children and lives in Annapolis, Md., with her lawyer husband, who commutes to Fairfax, Va. Son Patrick, 25, is a manager of a Hecht's dept. store. Eileen has taken a leave of absence from Flint Hill Elem. in order to run the showroom of Fred's Hunt Electric Co. in Merrifield.

My new thing is directing a children's choir. Anyone else taking up new hobbies, careers, or changing your address? Let your fellow MWCer's know! Thank goodness that name change business is over.

And last, but not least, we have heard from **Joan E. Kleinknecht**, who is an elementary school teacher in Connecticut. Joan has received many accolades and honors through the years, including the Thomas Jefferson Award for distinguished public service in the field of education. In the last year, Joan has lost her father, nursed her mother, and been kept busy with her three children—in addition to her job.

1957

Joanne Insley Pearre (Mrs. Austin, Jr.)
5520 Old National Pike
Frederick, MD 21701

Ernestine MacLaughlin Lawrence
243 Main St.
Winchester, MA 01890

From Joanne:

I happily bumped into my old suitemate of more than 25 years ago, **Jo Markwood Blue**, in Charlottesville last fall. Each of us has a son in his first year at the University of Virginia. Jo and Tommy are still living near Charlottesville where Jo is active in working for the Democratic Committee.

Jean Durham Busboso and Buz celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary last year with an East-West party. "We tried to provide for our guests food, flowers and entertainment indigenous to our native states—Hawaii and Virginia." She describes combining magnolias and anthuriums, ham biscuits and sushi, peanuts and pineapples, country and hula, and concludes by stating, "Kipling was wrong."

A newsy fall letter from **Bruce Ritchie Spain** revealed that in January 1983 she was married to "Buck" Spain. They reside in Richmond, where Bruce continues to sell real estate, and have traveled recently to Scotland and to the Orient. Bruce's son, Quigg, is assistant rector at Grace Episcopal Church in Kilmarnock, Va., and his twin, Leslie, is a commercial loan officer at South East Bank in West Palm Beach, Fla. She and husband John live in Tequesta.

Bruce also reported that fellow Richmonder, **Betty Ann Nolan Tansill**, otherwise known as "Nolie," is heavily into gardening and also primitive furniture and accessories. Most items, Bruce claims, are sold before they ever reach a shop. Nolie also had a minireunion in August with former high school classmates as well as college mates, **Alma Rowe Jenkins** and **Sandra Maynard Apperson** at Sandra and Jack's home near Philly.

A call by Bruce to former roommate, **Joan O'Shaughnessy Kaufmann**, revealed that Joan and her husband, Paul, do a lot of sailing and have a daughter, who is a senior in high school.

A Christmas letter from **Betty Rhodes O'Donnell** brought news that Paul and **Janet Ward Duevel**'s daughters will both graduate in June: Pam, from high school, and Betsy, from Wheaton College.

Marlene Bost Braun's daughter attended MWC and, like her mother, married a Naval Academy graduate. Marlene and Carl became grandparents in September. They also have two sons: one, who is a freshman at Duke, and one, who is a high school sophomore.

Meredith Puller Townes and Jack, formerly of Pennsylvania, have moved to White Stone, Va., where they are awaiting the completion of a new waterfront house on the Chesapeake Bay.

Betsy Jones Ware's husband, Latane, is president of the Richmond Academy of Medicine. Daughter Elizabeth works in a Richmond bank; Latane Jr. is in his second year at Guilford College.

Barbara Craft Grantz writes from Turkey to say that she will be in Istanbul for the better part of the next two years with husband Walter, who is "doing a feasibility study for a Metro and railroad tunnel underneath the Bosphorus." She reports "having to endure lumpy beds and trickle showers" but loving "superb museums, good food, and fun bazaars." She writes, "The American colony is small, but I keep myself busy with Turkish lessons and discovering the wonderful art and rich history of Turkey." The Grantzes have a daughter in Salt Lake City.

Tidewater resident **Mary Montague Sikes** is very active in the field of fine arts. Last July she participated in a multimedia exhibit in the Roanoke Museum of Fine Arts. The theme of the event was "Woman as Muse," and Mary's sculpture contribution depicted the physical woman as she seeks mental enrichment and spiritual awareness. She also contributed a colored pencil drawing to *An American Album*, a collection of art works from more than 300 American women artists, which was exhibited at the United Nations Conference on Women in Nairobi, Kenya.

1959

Edna Gooch Trudeau (Mrs. T.A.)
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So nice to see **Carolyn Hickman Bowman** at the Richmond Chapter meetings. She stays frantically busy substituting in Chesterfield County Schools. At our fall luncheon the guest speaker was Dr. **Edith Sheppard Ott**, representing the Board of Visitors and answering questions of the members concerning the controversial proposed name change.

Surprise in July! A phone call from **Ann Brooks Papadatos**! She was on her way to a family wedding. Greg is still stationed at Fort Ord, Calif., but managed a visit home for his high school reunion in the summer and a week during the Christmas holidays. Anastasia is seriously considering graduate school after completing Fordham. She and Ann went to Florida in August to visit relatives.

Carmen Culpepper Chappell is still taking courses at the Univ. of Pa. in anthropology and archaeology, even though she has completed her master's. She is working at the university museum in the American section with the New World collections. Eric is a junior at Colgate, and Jennifer enters college in the fall. John travels all the time, and Carmen is not far behind. In October she visited friends in Strasburg, met John in London, and then on to Milan on a shopping spree. She plans a tour of Scandinavian countries in May.

Celeste Shipman Kaufman's Christmas card was a lovely picture of Jeffrey and Pam with the bridal party. They were married in June, naturally. They live in an older home (which they are remodeling) on the golf course near "Pug" and Alan. Jeffrey is the manager of the Birmingham Sandwich Chef. Julie is working as a bank auditor and loves it. Tammie is 16 and driving! Need we say more. Everyone was going to Nassau the week after Christmas. And as a reward for three years of French, Tammie and "Pug" will spend two weeks in France in June. "Pug" has a new hobby: whitewater rafting!

Marcia Phipps Ireland wrote that Kristen graduated from the Univ. of Va. and is working for an advertising research firm. Kent is a senior and will be college touring in the near future. Gary and Marcia celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a trip through Ireland and England. It was great!

Postcards from **Phyllis Hartleb Rowley** keep me up-to-date on her busy family. She visited Phil, her oldest, at Sanford after Easter. He and four teammates qualified to play in the U.S.-Japan tour in October in Tokyo. Another golf celebrity! Phil is also vice pres. and chrmn. for Phi Delta and adv. man. for the Sanford Daily News. Jay entered Wake Forest in the fall. Dave has had a hectic golf schedule. In June he played in the Boys Fla. State Championship, in July the International Junior Masters, and the Great Lakes Buick Jr. in Minnesota. August brought the Tour of Champions in Atlanta. September was the Sandestin Jr. Classic, and November brought another American Junior Golf Classic. Whew! Phyllis accepted another year as pres. of the high school advisory board and as marshal for the Honda Classic at Eagle Trace. She is also continuing on the Quail Ridge Prop. Owners Assoc. and with women's golf and did some benefit art work for the hospital. Jim is still busy as financial consultant with Shearson, and both find time for gardening, golf, tennis and friends.

First graders still keep **Beulah V. Springer** hopping, and now she has a pet dog.

After the trip Don won to Club Med in Guadalupe, **Irene Piscopo Rodgers** and her husband had a great company business trip to New Orleans, one of her favorite cities. Irene's mother broke her heel this summer, so Irene and Don moved to her parents' home in Harrison, N.Y. It made it easier to care for her and an easier commute to work for them. Irene's father was hospitalized at the same time. Irene and Don got away to Mexico in September for vacation. They left Mexico City the day of the first earthquake! They felt very lucky. They also went to Merida, Cancun, Uxmal and Chitchen Itza. Irene climbed every pyramid! In October Irene went to Seattle to teach a course in electron microscopy at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard. November found her in Texas and Atlanta. They spent Thanksgiving holidays in Florida with Don's family. Could be Irene's coming this way in the spring; hopefully, we can get together.

With Gene in college, **Lois Gaylord Allen** and H.G. are enjoying some parental freedom. H.G. is still teaching high school, and "Gay" is still counseling. But they have six pets. What freedom?!

News from **Eleanor Markham Old**: Jimmy is an ensign in the Navy, training in Pensacola to be a jet Naval flight officer. He is thinking a Navy career. Besides her tour guide duties, Eleanor is also a Welcome Wagon hostess. They keep her running. She and Arthur vacationed in San Francisco in April as well as Napa Valley, Monterey, San Simone, Reno and Death Valley.

Jane Howard Buchanon is working on her second master's at Columbia Univ. School of Social Work. Kathleen is still at Jordon Marsh. Susan graduated in May. Beth is a soph. at Alfred Univ., N.Y. School of Ceramics. Janet is at Riocta Academy.

Jane Tucker Broadbrooks is now working as bookkeeper for John in his landscaping business. Business is busy, and John has added two more associates. Jon Karl had a great senior class trip to New York. After graduation, he worked as a grill man at McDonald's in the summer. In the fall he entered King College in Bristol, Tenn. He is very happy there and was elected vice pres. of the freshman class. John and Jane celebrated their 25th anniversary in June. They have been able to get away for a few business trips. They attended the Amer. Soc. of Landscape Architects convention in Cincinnati. It was delightful. They also took a trip to Florida to help John's uncle celebrate his 90th birthday! Jane has been sitting at John's computer more than her loom this year. She did see **Jo Neal Hendricks Scully** in May. They had lunch and wished for more time. In August she had a visit from **Molly Bradshaw Alderson**.

Audrey Dubetsky Doyle will be returning to full-time teaching soon. Tom is a freshman in high school. Tiffany is in college, and Jennifer returned to Texas. In August they had a fantastic visit with the **Gloria Winslow Bordens**.

"Another world." Comment made by **Priscilla Brown Wardlaw** after her trip to the Orient. They toured Japan, Thailand, Singapore, Hong Kong and Taiwan. "Pete" is still working part time, and Charles likes being a "country banker." Chris is a soph. at the Univ. of Del., and Rob is a fresh. at Univ. of N.C. They both love college and are dean's list students.

During the Christmas holidays, **Julia Coates Littlefield** and Maurice toured Epcot. They visited with **Shirley Mauldin Gibson**. Her son, Jamie, is a soph. at U.Va. Matthew was in Alaska with his father. Julia heard from **"Pete" Brown Wardlaw** and **Laura Baker Barclay**. Julia continues her work with the magazine *Delta* for Sigma Nu. Bess will graduate this June and settle in D.C. for a while. She had a wonderful summer in England with a Wm. & Mary program at Cambridge. Scott is sending in college applications now.

Joan Essick Woloson found herself teaching third grade again this year. In April '85

she had an accident. She slipped on some gravel while going to the mailbox, broke all three bones connecting her foot to her leg and was in a cast for three months. She made it to Blake's graduation from the Univ. of Richmond, handicap and all. Blake is 23 now and a first-year law student at George Mason Law School. Wendy is 21 and a senior at Iowa State Univ. She spent the holidays applying for graduate school, planning a Ph.D. in art history. Kent, when not practicing law, keeps himself busy with golf, tennis and his antique toy collecting. They made their trip to England in July and plan a trip to the Dominican Republic this Easter. Joan sent word that **Nancy Crosland Lehfeldt** and family are in Florida, and **Carol Daehler Leonard** and family are in Fallbrook, Calif.

Hurrah! At long last a letter from **Barbara Barndt Miller**. It's never too late. Barbara's daughter, Ann, is 26, a graduate of Cozenovia College in N.Y. and is working and single, both of which she likes. Barbara and Ralph bought their horse farm 21 years ago and are still busily showing, breeding, judging and riding horses. In January, Ralph returned from San Antonio, Texas, and the Amer. Horse Show Assoc. Annual Convention. He had the champion yearling and three other top place horses for 1985. They hunt a pack of Pa.–Md.–Del. foxhounds three times a week from August to March. Barbara also organizes and runs hunter trials and terrier trials. When not acting as bookkeeper and secretary for an equine veterinarian, she finds time for tennis. She has seen **Donna Pethic Germelan** and Bing on several hunt trips in Va. and on fishing trips in Pa. Donna's son is in the Army.

My one and only is now 11, in sixth grade, and is growing and growing up overnight. She's an inch taller than I already. I might be in big trouble!

1961

Lynn C. McCarthy
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Clara Sue Durden Ashley
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From Lynn:

At Christmas and from California, **Linda Lange Senf** sent a picture of her good-looking family taken during a vacation in '85 in Hawaii. Linda shared that Tom was encouraging her to make our 25th. Hopefully, future news will report that you made it, Linda!

Sarah Leigh Kinberg and Tom took off for Germany, Sweden, Denmark, and Finland in '85. Daughter Sarah Leigh will marry a young man from Germany on July 19, a month after she graduates with a degree in languages from the University of Pacific in Stockton. Son Tom and his wife, Judy, are now trying to keep up with their little one, Michael, who'll be two in July. If you all make it to California, visit Sarah and Tom. Grandmother will show you her collection of Michael pictures!

Betty Alrich Latta and Jerry tackled a house remodeling project in '85. Last word from Los Altos was they were still working in January! Son Dan will be a junior at Sonoma State University in September, majoring in business. Steve, a rising sophomore at the University of California at Davis, is majoring in economics. Jeff, 15, a high school freshman, plays water polo and is on the swim team.

Notes also received from **Prudie Shepard** and **Jane Hoffman**. Prudie spent 10 days last summer in Nantucket, swimming, sunning and sailing. Jane was preparing herself (armchair style) for basketball season. **Judi Early Toxie** got the travel bug in '85, too: a cruise in the Caribbean in April and a jaunt to Italy, Holland and England in the summer.

Nancy Wright Wright wrote that son David and three frat brothers from Randolph-Macon took the school year off and worked at Copper Mt. Ski Resort in Colorado. Brian will enter his junior year at Va. Tech. in the fall, and Matt, a lacrosse and basketball player, will be a ninth grader.

Ann Elekes Nichols, Jack, and son John returned to Oxford last summer. Jack taught again at Oxford; John took a course; and Ann did more sketching. Their afternoons were filled with research and photographic sessions on medieval misercords in numerous churches. Ann and Jack plan a joint publication! John is now approaching 17, is 6'1", and is into drama, music, composition, and newspaper editing. Ann's art activities have been expanded to include watercolors of the Amish, who live close to Slippery Rock. Chatted with **Margaret Gilfoyle Powell** while in Norfolk for the holidays, the reunion being the big topic of conversation. Marg, Gene and Beth are doing great.

In July of last year, **Louise Couch Girvin** '62, formerly a 19-year resident of Lexington, Ky., sent her Christmas letter! She, John, and their four children were heading for the Paris, France, area in August. John had accepted a challenge IBM presented him: patent counsel for Europe, the Middle East, and Africa for two years. Their address is 13 rue Max Roujou, 78400 Chatou, France, for those who might be traveling that way.

1986 will find me pursuing an endless array of interests: basketball, football, bird-watching, gardening experiments, antiquing, hiking, traveling, "digs," courses in archaeology and bookbinding, family research, and chasing Halley's Comet! So, with this news and my life in fast forward, I will be passing along the torch. These past 10 years have been fun, challenging and worthy of observation. We have clung tenaciously to our very solid value system; we continue to be the enthusiastic, creative individuals who entered MWC in the fall of '57; we are a group made strong by our individual talents; and we remain seekers of the truth and pursuers of excellence! The Class of '61 is indeed very special.

From Clara Sue:

Last year was an international year for **Constance Booth Logothetis** and her family. It began with a trip to the Caribbean. In June, son Michael went to Great Britain, and daughter Elaine arrived in Sweden. In August, Connie and Elaine came to D.C. to meet a French girl who was to stay with their family for three weeks. They stayed with me for two days to see some of Washington. We came to know of the girl, Emmanuelle, through **Eleanor Jane Riles Wamsley**, who is living in France and is a close friend of Emmanuelle's family. To top off their international year, Connie and Andy went to Japan where Andy had been invited to lecture at two international meetings. During this year of travel, Elaine undertook the college search, which included a trip to MWC.

In January, I talked with **Janie Wamsley**, who was at her brother's house in Connecticut where she was visiting her family. She is still working in France but hopes to be teaching in the States in the fall. Our family has come to know her daughters: Marguerite, who is a high school junior at St. Margaret's in Tappahannock, and Annelise, who is in her second year at Princeton. As a very talented young lady, Annelise has starred in several college stage productions.

The biggest change in **Sara Prosterman Brown**'s life last year was the closing of "Yours Truly," where she had worked for 11 years. Since Dwight has opened an office in Atlanta, he's able to spend more time at home instead of on the road. Cindy has graduated from college and is a physical therapist. Scott is in his third year at the Naval Academy, and Randy is a high school senior.

My "roomie," **Jane Toye Laurson**, is working for a podiatrist in Bay Village, Ohio. Her life is set aglow by her two-year-old grandson, Derek.

Last summer when my son, Dennis, and I were in Georgia for a wedding, we had a very nice visit with **Jean Ryan Farrell** and her son, David. Frank was in Chicago on business. They have a beautiful home outside of Atlanta.

In November, I saw **Denby Singley Powe** at a restaurant in Columbia, S.C. I saw her again in January when she came to my father-in-law's funeral. She is a beautiful lady. Donald is going to graduate school and working, and Anna has finished college and has started a new job. Heyward is a college freshman.

Recently I learned that **Carol Scruggs Taylor**'s husband, Frank, was in my class in high school. They live in Oakton, and Carol is principal of Forrestville Elementary School in Great Falls.

If you're going to be at the reunion at the Naval Academy in October, look for **Sarah Leigh Kinberg**. She plans to be there with Tom for his 25th.

You just never know when you will run into someone from MWC. In McLean recently, I saw **Georgiana Leventis Paul** '62.

Jane Snyder Felber's mother passed on news of Jane and her family. They have moved into a new home in Kenosha, Wis., where Jane teaches junior high school English. A couple of years ago, she was selected a junior high school teacher of the year. She has three boys: one is a sophomore at the University of Wisconsin, her second is a high school senior and a star football player, and her youngest is a fifth grader.

With two boys away at college this year, life has been a little less hectic but still busy for me. In June, Andrew graduates from elementary school. As a high school junior, Dennis is playing piano with his school's jazz band for the third year and continues as organist for our church. Park is a freshman at Georgia Tech, and Chris is a sophomore at the University of Richmond where he received a three-year Army ROTC scholarship.

1963

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Mrs. Patsy Branstetter Revere
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Barbara Grant Fox is very involved in doing genealogical research. She started by tracing her family's roots and is now in business helping others. She and David live in North Canton, Ohio, and have two children. Derek is 14, and Susan is an MWC freshman this year.

Wendy Joan Shadwell is curator of prints at the New York Historical Society. She recently curated an exhibition, "Prized Prints," which featured over 40 of the society's rarest engravings, etchings and lithographs, and which a Staten Island newspaper said "should create a stir among collectors and historians." Included in the exhibit were portraits of John Hancock, Benjamin Franklin and George Washington. In connection with "Prized Prints," Wendy put together a 28-page catalogue, which was published by *Imprint* magazine and is sold in the society's store. As if this were not enough, Wendy also planned the 18th North American Print Conference, which the N.Y. Historical Society sponsored in April. About 125 curators, private collectors, and scholars were expected to attend.

Nancy Slonim Aronie lives in West Hartford, Conn., where she is a free-lance writer. Her poetry, short stories and articles have appeared in such magazines as the *Dark Horse Review/Cambridge, Connecticut Poets,* and *Hartford Magazine.*

1965

Mary Sale Alligood (Mrs. F.M.)
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Alice Funkhouser Flowers and George continue to live in Richmond. Their son, Jim, will be attending Duke University this fall, which pleases George since he attended undergraduate school there. Alice has been busier than ever since she has been teaching speech and communication on a full-time basis at the University of Richmond. Alice enjoys seeing **Sally Adkins Parrish**, who is currently head of the computer program at St. Christopher's Lower School in Richmond.

Brenda Hand Farrell lives in Norfolk with her daughter, Jennifer Elizabeth. Brenda received her M.S. from Old Dominion University in guidance counseling and works in Norfolk Collegiate School.

The Hamblet twins continue to lead active lives. **Bobbie Hamblet Wilkinson** lives in Hamilton, Va., and has three daughters. She is a free-lance artist and co-owns Barrol Creations with her sister, Carol. They specialize in artwork, greeting cards, and unique gifts. **Carol Hamblet Adams** lives in Attleboro, Mass., and has two sons and one daughter. Carol is a free-lance cable television hostess and producer. She played the part of "Peter Pan" in a theatre production.

Susan Austin Claassen and Steven live in Annandale, Va., and have three children. Susie is employed by H&R Block and, in addition to being an office manager, prepares tax returns and teaches tax courses.

It would be difficult for my family to improve upon last summer's travels. Anne, my daughter, and I toured Portugal, Spain and Morocco with my niece, Talley Sale, and my mother, **Virginia Elmer Sale** '33. Anne had such a wonderful time that she decided to return with a school group to tour England, France and Spain this summer. We look forward to hosting the same exchange student from Spain again this summer for five weeks.

In a letter from G.A. Keyworth, science advisor to the president, **Penelope Partridge Booth**, Lutherville, Md., was informed of her selection for a 1985 Presidential Award for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching. The presentation was made in October in Washington, D.C., at which time recipients were applauded for excellence in teaching and dedication to the education of our youth.

Sharon Boublitz Munday and I realized fairly recently, after years of being active in the same church, that we were classmates. Sherrie teaches with Chesterfield County Schools in Richmond and has one daughter, Kate. Another MWC graduate, **Betsy Katherine Maxey Combs** '73, teaches with me in Powhatan County Schools. *MWC Today* was responsible for our realizing that common bond.

1967

Mrs. Eleanor Grainger Workman
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If your ears were burning on Jan. 2, 1986, there was just cause for that phenomenon. A group of our classmates, almost as large as the group at the 15th reunion, gathered on the spur of the moment for lunch in Richmond. The catalyst was a visit from **Patti Marilla Reider** to see her parents, who now live in Richmond. The group was diverse: Patti's cousin, **Nancy Cocke Campbell** '66, who is a realtor here in Richmond, joined us. **Elizabeth Andrews** made contact with everyone in Richmond for whom she had a number. She arrived with four yearbooks in hand, and we talked about everyone!

Even though the rest of us have vital lives with plenty of meaningful activities and relationships, we mostly sat spellbound listening to Patti and wondering if anyone we know could really have experienced all that she has. Since her Peace Corps days, she has earned a master's in American studies, made pottery, worked in an arts and crafts center by day and a jazz bar by night. With an Argentine, she learned architectural renovation and then was employed by a Canadian for a job in that field. Now she lives in Rio de Janeiro and promotes and works at a resort island in which she is co-owner. Patti's daughter is a mid-teenager almost as attractive as Patti still is. Patti says, "Thanks a lot, Fonda."

The quiet ones at the tables were **Mary MacBlanchard Harris, Linda Goode Kiniry, Mary Lippy Booker, Lucy Dahl Johns Swartz,** and me. Lucy teaches third grade at St. Michael's School in Richmond. Linda wanted me to say that she was more poised and quieter, but she surely did assert herself to get the two tables moved together for lunch! **Jean Johnson Cashion** also fell into the quiet category. She has a new husband and six offspring in her household.

Charlotte Gregg Morgan is currently in the process of writing a book on techniques for teaching learning-disabled students to write.

Elizabeth Andrews was also a quiet observer, adding appropriately humorous quips as needed.

Now, if all of this arouses in you some urge to see these or other of our classmates, begin thinking about attending our 20th reunion next spring. We all agreed we'd go, stay in the dorms, and get an update on Patti.

There has even been news through the mail . . . thanks! **Mary Diggs** writes that she continues to teach English in Newark, N.J., and was instrumental in forming and continues to be active in the Newark Council for the Humanities. **Jan Thorpe Shawen** wrote of the birth of their daughter, Elizabeth, in December 1984. She and Mac also have a son, Eddie, who is seven years older than Elizabeth. **Eleanor Frith Peters** and her family have recently returned from their tour in Berlin and are living in Fairfax, Va. Their return coincided with the death of her youngest brother, so they are grateful to be living close to family for the first time in years! **Jane Ownby Wells** is living back in Richmond after several years in Norfolk. Our sons are in the same school, but I have yet to talk with her.

Linda "Toddy" Todd Puller worked all of 1985 on the Virginia gubernatorial campaign for Baliles. For the benefit of you out-of-state residents, he won. Toddy is involved in local politics and is chairman of the Democratic party.

Another of our classmates, **Julie Mackall**, has been teaching chemistry at Bates College in Maine but is looking at jobs in private industry as a biochemist.

Fonda Davis Eyler writes of a busy, difficult year in which her father died after an extended illness.

Roberta "Boo" Hatcher Graves writes that they now have a son, John, 18 months old, to keep Meredith, 5, company.

Nancy Dennin Bazylewicz received her master's degree in counseling from Shippensburg University in Pennsylvania.

Lucille Cascio Cralle, a math teacher at James Monroe High School in Fredericksburg, was named as "outstanding educator of the month" recently. She and George are building a new home in Stafford, and they're anxious to move in since the adoption of an infant son, Joseph, in January.

1969

Mrs. Pamela Powell McWhirt
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Patricia Akers received her doctor of education degree in the spring of '85 from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

1971

Mrs. Doris Lee Hancock
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LCDR Karen Laino Lewis
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We had a long, newsy letter from **Sally Reichner Mayor**. She is living high in the Swiss Alps and has about three different jobs, which she says are all interesting. She teaches English as a foreign language in an adult school, and she is responsible for the language department in a national adult education school. In the winter, Sally also works for the Swiss Ski School. She has two daughters, Patricia, who is 12, and Adrienne, who is 9. The three of them are busy and "living happily ever after."

Sally goes "home" every summer and always gets in touch with a few classmates. **Pat Killefer** and husband Pat Durkin are living in Richmond. Pat is a supervisor for the welfare department. They ski a lot in the winter, and she was really "into" parachuting.

Diane Hicks Kash is now Kurfehs. She and Bill were married in May 1985. They live in F'burg, and Diane still works for the Spotsy Co. welfare dept., and Bill commutes to D.C.

Julie McLelland Rentz is living with daughter Ashley, 3, in Warrenton. She has a government job that keeps her traveling all over the country. She did take a few weeks off last summer to travel through France with her aunt, Peggy Hoffman, from the French dept. at MWC.

Beth Fleming Skidmore and Alex are living in Richmond. They have a new addition to the family, a baby boy.

Beth's sister, Kathy, is happily married, living in Warrenton, and expecting her first child.

Pam Temple Roach is a student counselor in a Richmond high school. Pam is also a new mom and has a lively daughter. Ned is a P.E. teacher and coach.

Barbara Vick Meyer is into folk art and is touring the state showing her work and becoming quite famous. When are you going to go international, Barb?

Stevie Smith Moore and Bill live in Maryland with their two children. Stevie is very active in volunteer work and women's rights. Bill is a representative for medical supplies.

Denise Kincheloe Schnitzer received quite a teaching honor when the Norfolk schools named her reading teacher of the year. She had taught high school English for four years following her graduation from MWC. But after seeing many of her students having trouble reading, she went back to Old Dominion University where she received her master's degree in reading. Congratulations, Denise!

1973

Carter Moffett Welling (Mrs. D.C.)
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A fond hello to all classmates!

It was great to hear from several of you in the past few months. With my address in almost constant change due to many Navy moves, I must apologize if any of your letters have failed to reach me. I am still receiving mail that has been forwarded and re-forwarded to me through four different addresses!

Nostalgia for our good times at MWC really overtook me while reading a Christmas card from **Mary Driehaus Schwem**, my former hallmate and good friend. A former member of the Air Force herself, Mary and her husband, Bill, a second lieutenant, returned last year to the continental U.S. after spending four years in Hawaii. Mary, Bill and their three children, Susan, Mary and Brian, now live at F. E. Warren Air Force Base near Cheyenne, Wyo. Through a delightful call to Mary, I learned that she is as busy as always, working as a designer with a local florist and assisting at school, chapel and the Red Cross. In addition, Mary plans to resume work on her master's soon, depending upon her ability to reach the university in winter over snow-closed passes! (Florida classmates take note.)

An earlier nice note from **Anne Gillette Murphy** informed me that she had moved with her husband and family to Reading, Pa., where Lex now works as an engineer for AT&T Technologies. They are a former Navy family. Anne writes that Lex is still active in the Naval reserves and that she has joined him in Scotland, Puerto Rico and Bermuda during duty tours. As we say in the service, it's a tough job, but somebody's got to do it!

Patricia "Patty" Stewart Boytek wrote with news of several classmates, which made my day. **Margaret "Peggy" Christensen,** Patty's MWC roommate, is a L.C.S.W. (licensed clinical social worker) living and working in Warrenton, Va. **Virginia "Ginger" Wagner** lives with her husband, Luke Ward, and 18-month-old son, Travis, in Blacksburg, Va. **Nancy Greer Gray** and husband Dennis are also living in Virginia, near Burke, with their three children, Jeremy, Lindsey and Kevin. Last but not least, Patty, her husband, Marty, and two sons, Josh, 7, and Patrick, 4, reside in Portsmouth, Va. Patty and Marty share a physical therapy practice, and Patty, in addition, is an A.S.P.O. (American Society for Psychoprophylaxis in Obstetrics), certified childbirth educator. She teaches classes in the Lamaze method of prepared childbirth and in her spare (?) time is president of the Portsmouth branch of the American Association of University Women and enjoys piano lessons. Thanks, Patty, for all the updates. There is certainly still a lot of our class talent and professionalism back "home" in Virginia.

Pam Wuichet has been named director of foundation relations at Rollins College in Winter Park, Fla. Pam has been working at Rollins since 1981 and was a development research officer prior to her new appointment. Now Pam will be responsible for writing and coordinating grant proposals to foundations and corporations. Pam has a daughter, Kristen, 8.

On this end, my husband, Craig, was promoted to commander in the Navy last year, and our family is awaiting yet another duty assignment, hopefully that of a submarine commanding officer. My children, Judith, Anne and David, occupy most of my "free" time aside from my enjoyable volunteer work with families in the submarine and civilian communities here.

1975

Carol Kerney Peal
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Hope Rudinger Linehan is moving to Columbus, Ohio, in May. Chip, her husband, was made general sales manager of the Midwest Region of Field Container Corp. Hope spoke to **Yvonne Puryear Pizzie** in January. Yvonne is busy teaching, and she and her husband are active in their church.

I received a note from **Tina Brooks Renninger**. She and her family have a home in Stafford County, Va., and she is busy teaching. Tina also managed to pick up a master's in elementary education several years ago.

In August, part of the group from Jefferson 4th West got together, with their families, at **Carole Mercader Brady**'s home for a cookout. Present were: **Marcia Howell Marsh, Peggy Unkle, Hope Rudinger Linehan,** and **Susan McDonald Osborn**. The group had such a good time they decided to make this an annual event.

Suzanne Smithson Hall wrote that she is busy with the Alumni Board, her sons, John and Nathan, and substitute teaching. Suzanne spoke to **Joan Ivey**, who works for Aetna, and she is "shivering in Connecticut."

Ann Canter Nickels sent news of her move to Orange, Va., where Bill is minister of the Orange Presbyterian Church. They are enjoying themselves and awaiting the birth of their second child in March.

And lastly, I am the RIF coordinator at Melissa's school, so I have been busy ordering and distributing books in between bouts of chicken pox, ear infections and colds.

1977

Ms. Karen M. Hertzel
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Florida is the home of **Jeffrey L. Hunter**, who is now president of J. Hunter Construction Co. Inc., a general contracting and developing firm in the central part of that state. Jeff is married to Christine, and they have one son, who is three, and should have another baby by now.

There are two new babies to report. **Nora C. Mack Short** has a baby girl, who is about 15 months old now. Mom is enjoying being at home with her in Salt Lake City.

Laura Ann Ewers Cline and Bernie have their third daughter, Mary Windsor, who was born in the summer of '85. Check that baby's initials—MWC!

Beverly J. Haney has become a partner in the newly formed law firm Scott, Daltan, Van Lear, Haney & Sutton in Fredericksburg.

1979

Gayle Weinberger Petrozino
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Barbara Goliash has resigned as class agent and has been replaced by **Gayle Weinberger Petrozino**. Thanks for everything, Barb, and welcome, Gayle!

A nice letter was received from **Anne Hayes**. She is working for an insurance firm in

Richmond and last year was a local "extra" in the movie "Finnegan, Begin Again," which was filmed in Richmond and starred Mary Tyler Moore and Robert Preston. She said she loved meeting the stars. Anne also attended her 10-year high school reunion and saw **Leslie Wells**, who came from New York for the event. She also keeps in touch with **Marla Vass Matera** who still lives in Springfield with husband Al.

We also had a long letter from north of the border with lots of news. Dr. **Anne Meaney-Leckie** is in Calgary, Alberta, for awhile, anyway. Bob, who completed his M.S., is a building science specialist there. They traveled to the Yukon last summer and fell in love with the place and have purchased a 50-acre farm near Mayo, Yukon, in northern Canada. Anne is going to be working as director of continuing education on the Mayo campus of Yukon College. She will be working on the academic upgrading of natives as well as teaching. She had been teaching at Mount Royal College with **Susan Fassnacht Hunt** '76, who is in the Calgary area with husband Peter and son Jeremy.

Anne says Calgary seems to be the place for geography grads. **Kathy Key** '84 went up last year to work on her master's at the University of Calgary. She is the third one. Anne and Susan married Canadians and stayed, too!

Anne also spent several weeks in Connecticut "at home" and got in touch with **Linda Reynolds Thornton** and **Lisa Rauch Walsh**. Both are living in Fredericksburg. Linda met Bill Thornton at a block party in Ball Circle in 1975 and finally married him. They had a Canadian honeymoon! Linda commutes to D.C. where she works for the IRS. Lisa, husband Steven, and the two little Walshes moved up from North Carolina. Steven is stationed at Quantico.

In closing, Anne said she doubted if there was a Yukon alumni chapter, but there is a fourth person "up north." **Cindy Burns** is in Jasper, Alberta. She invites anyone coming her way to get in touch—bring a blanket!

Marian Webb Cox, who started with the Class of '76, left and came back and finished with us, is in Prospect, Ky., a suburb of Louisville. She and Carl recently enjoyed a second honeymoon in Cancun, Mexico.

I have seen many MWC classmates in the past few months. One big event was back in January when I had a baby shower for **Lisa Carle Shields**. She was due in March, and I'm sure it was a boy! At the shower was **Barbara Goliash**, still a successful, hard-working Fairfax County employee. She moved in May to Alexandria and is buying a home with a pool. We will all be there! **Jane Daniels Ferguson** was also at the shower and is still enjoying her job with Blue Cross. **Sue Moore** and **Laura Buchanan Bentzen** attended, too, and are successful career women. **Karin Hedberg** also attended and is now working for Citicorp. **Judy Kemp Allard** was entertaining all of us and is still busy teaching school in Richmond.

Pam Staples Piosecki is working hard for the government and taking care of hubby.

Way back in December, **Tracy Hudson** and wife **Allison North Hudson**, both '80, had their annual Christmas party. **Victor Yastrop** was there as well as **Mark Madigan** and **Gail Warren** '80, who is still wild and crazy and living and working in Fredericksburg.

Caroline Corr will probably be married when this comes out. She was planning the ceremony for mid-June and will be living in the F'burg area with her hubby, who works at Dahlgren. Congratulations! **Mary McWhirt Murphy** was scheduled to deliver in late March.

Shelly Roberts moved into her new home in Philadelphia and really enjoys it. **Lisa Bratton Soltis** moved into her new home in Roanoke where she is busy decorating the house, working, taking care of Al and daughter Jennifer.

Sharon Donnelly Bender is married and now lives in Cheyenne, Wyo. Her husband is an Air Force major, and they are the proud parents of a baby boy, Kevin Gregory, born on Labor (!) Day 1985.

A few more tidbits are: **Betsy Larson** is making a career change and doing well. And **Nancy Quaintance Nelles** is residing in the suburbs of Chicago and is taking care of husband Dave and baby Kelly.

1981

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From Lori:

John M. Coski is among the first of MWC's male graduates to return to the College to teach. He served as a lecturer in history during the spring semester of this year.

Elisa Devorshak married Brian Harvey in July 1985. They live in Glastonbury, Conn. Elisa is a Ph.D. candidate in physiology at the University of Connecticut, and Brian is a medical student.

Lisa Upton has embarked on a new career in modeling. In addition to television commercials, she recently appeared in an advertisement in *Modern Bride*. **Lori Catanzaro** teaches high school Spanish in Melbourne, Fla. **Vicki Reynard Thorne** and her husband, Kevin, had their second child, Vivian Catherine, on Dec. 4, 1985.

After two years of working as a casino scheduler at the Tropicana Casino in Atlantic City, **Diana Wolotkiewicz** decided to attend graduate school at Temple University. She was expecting to receive her master's in English literature and a teaching certificate in composition in May. She is also working on her Ph.D., and she is an instructor at the university. During summer vacations, she is a buyer-manager for a clothing boutique at the Jersey shore.

Cheryl Blades Kennedy and her husband, Carl, recently purchased a new home near Boulder, Colo. She's been busy settling into her new home, caring for her two children, Aaron, 4, and David, 1, and studying physics part-time at the University of Colorado. Cheryl reported that **Laurie Durben Ferguson** recently completed her master's in international affairs in Monterey, Calif. Following six months in Rhode Island, Laurie and her husband, Ken, are again stationed in California.

Carin Carr Fernandez '80, husband Jack, and their children, Marina, 5½, and Joey, 3½, visited me briefly in February. They were expecting their third child in May. They are currently living in Virginia Beach but will be leaving there in August when Jack begins law school. **Jeanie Beazley Gilbert** '80, and her husband, Chuck, are also living in Virginia Beach and were expecting a child—their first—in May.

Wendy Prothro '82 married Jay Howard in August. They live in New Orleans where Jay is the aquatics director at a private school, and Wendy is a substitute teacher.

From Nancy:

Stephanie Amato Scheff and husband Bill had a baby boy, Todd Cameron, born in September of 1985. He sounds like a real good baby, too. As Steph put it, they have been blessed!

Valerie Grimes Richbourg, husband Tom, and their son stopped by Fredericksburg for a visit with **Tammy Reid Cochran** and husband Dennis. They all made a trip up north to West Point also.

Anne Hughes is teaching at her high school alma mater, Wildwood Catholic, in Wildwood, N.J. She sounds like she has a really busy schedule but seems to be enjoying it. She says it's "an experience" working with some of her former teachers!

I was fortunate enough to fly to Scotland this February to meet my husband, Bill, when his submarine came into port. We spent a quick week visiting Scotland and England before heading back to South Carolina. We enjoyed it except for the fact that we managed to be there for the yearly snowstorm! We'll be leaving this area soon but aren't quite sure yet where we'll be heading. Hopefully, we'll remain on the East Coast.

From Lynn:

Congratulations to **Debbie Clevenger**, who was married Aug. 3, 1985, at the Naval Academy to Chuck Merritt, an '85 graduate of the academy. **Diann Davis** was her maid of honor, and **Vicki Webber** and **Mary Brown Browning** were bridesmaids. Other MWC graduates in attendance were: **Carolyn Tebault, Cindy Williamson, Kathy Barlow** and **Becky Tebault**'83. They were in Orlando while Chuck attended nuclear power school, and Debbie continued working for the Department of the Navy. In March, the Merritts moved to New York. Debbie has made the Navy her life!

Kathy Barlow sends word of her upcoming marriage, which is scheduled for Sept. 20, 1986, to Greg Eierman, U.Va. '81. Greg works for Apple Computer as a regional sales rep. Kathy and fellow MWC'er **Cindy Williamson** work for Gannett/USA Today—word is that they keep each other in line! Cindy, **Charlene Jordon Rogers**, and **Annette Boettcher** will be part of the wedding party. Best wishes!

Congratulations go to **Karen Harman Sefton** and her husband, Rob, on the arrival of their second daughter, Elizabeth, born June 2, 1985. She joins Jennifer, and they are all doing well and living in Manassas while Karen works as a computer analyst with the Department of the Army.

The family of **Mary Siegrist Hinz** has established the Mary Siegrist Hinz Leadership Fellows Fund with a gift of $250,000 to the Marshall-Wythe School of Law Foundation at the College of William and Mary. Mary had just completed her second year of law school at W&M when she was struck and killed by a truck in Florida in the summer of 1984 while riding her bicycle in training for a triathlon. The fund will provide scholarships for those who exhibit the attributes that Mary possessed: academic excellence, unselfish citizenship, and athletic involvement.

1983

Estie Corey
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John Cope married Denise Adams on Oct. 12, 1985, in New York. John has been working for a New Jersey company as an organic chemist and is waiting for approval on his first patent.

Heidi Brickell was wed on June 22, 1985, in the Naval Academy Chapel to Lt. Michael Ullrich. Heidi is a first grade teacher in Chesapeake, Va., and her husband is stationed at Naval Air Station Oceana. So Heidi has been able to stay in her hometown. **Farah Maynor** was married to Dudley Marks on Oct. 5, 1985, in Roanoke, Va. Farah and Dudley have settled down in Lynchburg, Va. **Margaret Bell** wed **Joseph Synan**'76 on July 20, 1985, in Chevy Chase, Md. Margaret is working at the Department of Energy in the Solar Thermal Technology Division as a division secretary. Margaret is still pursuing her artistic interests and has entered several shows in D.C.

Terry Daley is planning a wedding on May 31, 1986, after having finished nursing school at the Medical College of Virginia. Terry has plans to go into nurse anesthesiology. **Patsy O'Connell** is taking time out from dental school to marry Kyle McCoy on June 14, 1986, in Atlanta, Ga. Best wishes to all of the newlyweds.

The past year has taken the Class of 1983 into new areas, careers and activities. **Anne Means** is in Jacksonville, Fla., working for Sav-A-Stop Inc. as a corporate marketing research manager. Anne was transferred to Florida from Roanoke and is loving the beach.

Liz Shealor is working for the Best Co. in Richmond as a computer programmer. **Jennifer Lambert** is into real estate investments in Roanoke, Va., and has her eye on veterinary school in the fall. **Noreen Nathanson** is in D.C. working for B.D.M. in the personnel department and is also working on her master's degree at American University. **Chris Thompson** is in Haymarket, Va., working in a biology lab and thinking of pursuing studies in physical therapy.

Lori Langpaul is a sales representative for Trane, Inc. in Richmond. **Connie Brown** has just returned from two exciting years in Japan and is now at graduate school at Boston University. **Betsy Fruit Schaible** has started a new career at Circuit City, and she and husband Bob are still enjoying life in Virginia Beach. **Gail Vermilyea** is working as a geodist at the Defense Mapping Agency in Bethesda.

Beth Brown, after finishing her master's degree in public administration of the arts, is now working in D.C. for the National Endowment for the Arts. Beth is also busy planning a wedding for Oct. 18, 1986, to Robert Gallegos on Long Island, N.Y. **Karrie Nelson** is working in public relations in the fun city of New Orleans. Karrie has become a triathelete and has been placing very high in her last meets.

Sheila Keenan is working for a D.O.D. component in Washington, D.C., after moving back east from Colorado. **Sarah Thompson** is in Georgia working on the third leg of her residency in occupational therapy. **Elizabeth Sullivan Kling** has moved back to D.C. where she is with CAKI in marketing consulting.

Patricia H. Garnett is in the F'burg area editing and writing. She has co-authored two books, *The Miracle Man* and *Nonverbal Selling Power,* published by Prentice-Hall, and she plays viola for the MWC College-Community Symphony Orchestra.

Anita Brown, a radio repairer with the U.S. Army, is now serving with the 5th Signal Command in West Germany.

1985

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From Rusty:

Andy Flemer had a Christmas bash here in the D.C. area. Among those present were: **Charlotte James**, teaching for Manassas schools; **Abas Adenan**; and **Susan Goyette**, working for Prince William County planning department. On break from law school were **Kim Slayton** and **Stan Smith**. I couldn't make it to the celebration, but I heard it was "out of control."

Framar was racing to see who would be the first to wed. **Elaine Thomasson** was married in December as well as **Monique Gormont**. The winner was **Mary Buckley**, who was married 'way back in August.

We all know **Stacey Dunn** was good at spinning records, but for a living? Currently she is managing a record store in the Tidewater area. **Amy Blasch** is working as an administrative assistant. Word has it she didn't want to come back to the States after her extended stay in Europe. **Deanna Houff** is currently working for the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services in Richmond.

Chris Uthe is working for CIGNA financial services in Delaware and plans to marry **Kim Kurtz**'87 in the summer of '87.

Speaking of engagements, **Jan Deese** has plans to tie the knot. **Tim Duffy** and **Karen Altemus** have recently announced their plans together. Who didn't expect that?

Dennis Dobson and **Allison Metzger** are both in management positions with Thalhimers in Richmond. Dennis will be in the Raleigh-Durham area this summer, overseeing doorknobs for a new store. **Lisa Taylor** is also living in Richmond and frequenting beach parties.

Last word has it that **Marie DelGardo** is still in Ohio working as a community counselor. Logicon at Dahlgren has employed **Theron Keller** as well as many other MWC alumni. **Susan Jurkiewicz** is also working with computers, but only as a second job. **Frances Batchelor** is working for VIMS in Tidewater and has been known to visit a certain young soccer player back at MWC.

Tom Denehy is probably still gloating about his great job in San Diego. He is really excited about the move and hopes we will all drop in.

If you're in the market for office supplies, **Jim Hard** is the man to see. He is living in the D.C. area as are **Janet Bowers, Gayle Greenwood, Sarah Jones, Kim Wright, Valerie Sydney** and **Tom Fiorelli. Cathy Crosby** was employed by Eastern Airlines and hopes to move from Atlanta to D.C. soon.

Cuff Gibbons is doing personnel work for a temporary service as well as being a weekend curator at a Victorian mansion in Richmond. She is up for a serious change in careers and continents.

After working all summer at the Wolf Trap Farm Park in Vienna, Va., for the National Park Service, **Carmela Garcia** headed south in the fall for the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. She is studying for a master's in city and regional planning.

As for myself, I am employed as a flight attendant with a new airline here in Washington, Presidential Airways. It's a great deal of fun, and **Ford Jones** '84 is also working for the company.

In Memoriam

Pauline Perry Lee '13
Julia Louise Lewis '14
Lucy Carmichael Saunders '18
Myrtle Diggs Whitehurst '18
Martha Campbell Bass '19
Esther Chinn Payne '25
Dorothy Harding Sanford '25
Mabel Kathryn Towles Kirkham '26
Jessie Doughtie Edwards '28
Mildred Crawford Lee '28
Laura Rhodes Rutter '28
Adele Pfalzgraf Copeland '30
Ruby Pennington Luther '33
Dorothy Morgan Sutton '33
Martha Haffey Green '36
Mary Catherine Stewart Taylor '36
Sara Curtis Nichols '43
Alice Fuller Fluegel '45
Elizabeth Kessler Lee '48
Charlotte Kalil Harvey '49
Joan Duncan Lowe '49
Irvin Whitlow Westbrook '49
Dorothy Overton Robertson '51
Louise Turner Martz '52
Ann Riesen Faircloth '59
Harriette Broaddus Southworth '62

We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of our deceased Alumni.

Condolences to:

We extend our condolences to our Alumni who have recently lost loved ones.

Mary Seward Young Tate '28 who lost her husband.
Marie Finney Pennewell '33 who lost her mother.
Lucy Copley Scott '36 who lost her husband.
Sarah Hayter Helton '49 who lost her husband.
Fonda Davis Eyler '67 who lost her father.
Eleanor Frith Peters '67 who lost her brother.
Sally Glenn Bates '73 who lost her mother.
Patricia Wholey Zahl '73 who lost her mother.
Mary Chidester Jones '81 who lost her father.

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